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Numeiri meets King

Fahd receives Arafat, Numeiri



WITH KING: King Fahd receiving Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri at his encampment near Riyadh Wednesday.

JEDDAH, Feb. 7 (SPA) — Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri arrived here Wednesday evening from Riyadh after visiting King Khaled, as Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat arrived in Jeddah on a short visit to the Kingdom.

Earlier in the day King Khaled gave a luncheon banquet at his desert encampment outside the capital for President Numeiri and the delegation accompanying him. The luncheon was attended by Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan, Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal, and a number of other officials.

The Sudanese President arrived in the Kingdom Tuesday and held a round of talks with Crown Prince Fahd Tuesday night, before meeting the King Wednesday.

The PLO chairman was received on arrival by Deputy Governor of Mecca Saud bin Abdul Mohsen, commander of the western Region Gen. Mansour Al-Shuaibi and a number

U.S. invites Israel to join peace talks

TEL AVIV, Feb. 7 (Agencies) — U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis delivered his government's invitation to renew the Israel-Egypt peace talks to Prime Minister Menachem Begin Wednesday.

A spokesman for the American embassy said Washington was the site for the proposed talks, but no specific date was made public.

Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan will seek wide authority from his government in his role as negotiator, reliable sources said.

The latest round of talks was conducted last month by roving ambassador Alfred Atherton, whose shuttle mission between Tel Aviv and Cairo failed to make any breakthroughs on the unresolved problems in a draft peace treaty.

The Israelis say they expect Vance to attack the outstanding issues from a new angle, but his game plan was still unclear. Testifying to a congressional committee on Monday, Vance said he planned to deal with the problems as a package, rather than individually.

The issues focus on how the Egyptian-Israeli treaty will be linked to subsequent talks on the Palestinian issue, and the standing of the treaty in relation to Egypt's defense pacts with the Arab states.

Meanwhile, Egyptian Acting Foreign Minister Butros Ghali said in an interview with Sudan's daily "Al Ayyam" his country will not negotiate with Israel on behalf of the Palestinians but will only try to help them establish their own autonomous authority on their land as a start.

Egypt, he said, does not intend to decide the ultimate situation for the Palestinians. Rather, Egypt is trying to help the Palestinians establish their elected national authority on their land which will enable them at a later stage to negotiate on equal footing with Israel, Ghali said in the interview.

A summary of the interview was distributed in Cairo by the official Egyptian Middle East news agency.

"Egypt will always deal with representatives of the Palestinian people who (accept to) negotiate with Israel," he said.

Ghali complained that "reaction forces" in the Arab world and Israel were in a way impeding Egypt's efforts to arrange a settlement with the Jewish state.

Armed forces voice support for Bakhtiar

TEHRAN, Feb. 7 (Agencies) — Iran's armed forces, apparently ruling out the possibility of a military coup, stressed their support for the Shah-appointed government Wednesday night and said servicemen should keep out of politics.

It was a clear statement that politicians rather than military men must find a solution to the tangled crisis in Iran.

Gen. Abbas Gharabahi, chief of staff and top military authority in the absence of the Shah, said the armed forces should back the administration of Prime Minister Shahpour Bakhtiar.

Bakhtiar is under increasing pressure from religious opposition led by Ayatollah Khomeini to resign.

Earlier Wednesday, the rival government of Khomeini picked up support from striking civil servants, and his "prime minister" said he would outline and perhaps announce his cabinet list later this week.

But as Khomeini's followers moved toward their goal of an Islamic republic, some 8,000 supporters of the constitutional regime of Prime Minister Bakhtiar gathered in a sports hall in the center of the city to express their backing for the present regime.

Some members of the crowd, made up of middle and upper class Iranians, chanted "Long live the Shah."

One woman said, "I love my king and if I had a little blood in my body, I would give it for him."

A spokesman for oil engineer Mehdi Bazargan, tapped by Khomeini to establish a provisional government, said "the prime minister" would outline his plans in a major speech Friday at Tehran University.

In a briefing for foreign reporters, Muhammad Hadi, a religious elder, said Bakhtiar may also unveil his list of ministers.

Hadi said Khomeini, who orchestrated the uprising against the Shah from foreign exile, received a telegram of "moral support" from Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi.

Hadi said the Libyan leader congratulated the victory of the Iranian people, which he claimed would serve as "a symbol for other nations."

The pro-constitution rally was organized by a new group, called the National Unity Front, whose spokesman said they wished to preserve the 1906 constitution, and by opponents of the Islamic republic.

There were emotional scenes as members of the crowd chanted in support of the Shah, forced to leave the country in January for an indefinite holiday.

Men and women, some with tears in their eyes, told their knees in the center of the hall as an act of loyalty to the Shah.

A rally organizer who asked not to be identified, said the organization is not urging the Shah's return, but admitted many of its members would like to see him back.

Bazargan's "government," packed up endorsements Wednesday from civil servants on strike at the Justice Ministry, the prime minister's office and from staff of the official Pars News Agency.

In Tehran, a case aide to Khomeini had the provincial government with attempt to operate with civil servants who have pledged their loyalty to Khomeini's movement.

Diplomatic sources said Khomeini (Continued on back page)

Arab leaders ask Zia to spare Bhutto's life

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Agencies) — Arab and other world leaders, including President Carter, pleaded with Pakistan to spare the life of former Premier Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, after Pakistan's Supreme Court voted in a split decision for execution.

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat appealed to Pakistan's military leader Wednesday to spare Bhutto's life, the official Middle East News Agency reported.

Sadat sent a personal message to Gen. Zia-ul-Haq urging him to "forgo Pakistan's national unity" by pardoning Bhutto, the agency said.

The Egyptian president appealed to Gen. Zia to "use your constitutional right and pardon Bhutto, who served the people of Pakistan and people of Islamic countries," it said.

"I pray to Allah to inspire you with the wise decision that serves the good of the Pakistani people and the Islamic nations," the agency quoted Sadat as telling Gen. Zia.

United Arab Emirates president Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan also appealed to Gen. Zia to commute the death sentence.

ce against Bhutto, officials in Abu Dhabi said.

Sheikh Zayed asked Gen. Zia to spare Bhutto's life in appreciation of his efforts to consolidate relations between Arab and Muslim countries, and for human considerations, the officials said.

In Kuwait the Kuwaiti news agency reported the ruler of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmed Al-Sabah also ask Gen. Zia to commute the death sentence.

In Jordan the Amman daily newspaper "Al-Dustour" said in an editorial that Gen. Zia should avert a possible trouble in his country that could break out if Bhutto was executed.

"Gen. Zia should realize the benefits that can be obtained if the logic of clemency replaced that of law in cases similar to that of Mr. Bhutto."

Pakistan stood to gain much on the internal and external levels if it exercised clemency while it would lose a lot if it applied the letter of the law because of possible trouble in the country, "Al-Dustour" said. (Continued on back page)

Gold breaks another record; dollar falls

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP) — The price of gold hit record trading highs of \$250 an ounce in London and Zurich Wednesday amid continued widespread buying, sparked in part by the turmoil in Iran and a tumbling U.S. dollar.

The U.S. currency slithered on all European money markets and dealers reported intervention by central banks to stem the slide. The dollar closed in Tokyo at 197.625 yen, down from Tuesday's 198.95 yen.

Dealers attributed the dramatic rise in the price of gold to the dollar's continuing weakness, the international monetary fund's monthly bulletin auction later Wednesday and a reported cutback in Saudi Arabia's oil production. (That report was firmly denied Tuesday by Petroleum Governor Dr. Abdul Hadi Taher.)

The price of precious metal, a traditional hedge in times of monetary uncertainty anyway, opened in London at \$244.25.

It was later fixed by London's five major bullion dealers at \$249.00 — a record mark. By mid-morning, the price had soared to \$250.00 in what dealers described as a "very busy market."

In Zurich, Europe's main bullion mart, gold opened at \$244.62 an ounce, up from Tuesday's close of \$243.375. It hit \$250.12 by mid-morning.

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It was not known whether the pardon applied to the man who led the coup attempt, former paratroop commander and member of the Revolutionary Command Council Maj. Abdul Ish Alam, who fled to South Yemen.

U.K. strikes jeopardize future of British Leyland

LONDON, Feb. 7 (R) — Britain's biggest automaker, British Leyland, was hit Wednesday by a strike which threw the whole future of the ailing, state-run corporation into jeopardy.

Nearly 19,000 workers at Leyland's largest plant in Longbridge, Birmingham, walked out on all-out strike because they are not receiving a productivity bonus. The corporation says they did not turn out enough vehicles to earn the bonus.

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Britain's five-week-old revolt continued to be felt right across the country, with most hospitals reduced to emergency-only service and hundreds of schools closed.

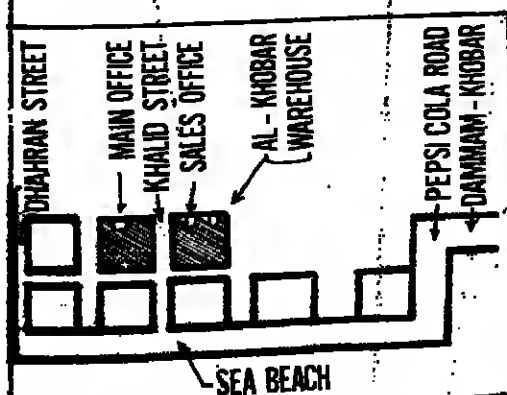
There was no sign of progress in negotiations. Some 1.5 million low-paid workers are pressing for 40 per cent increases but Treasury Secretary Joel Barnett reiterated the government would not finance deals above 9.9 per cent.

At an East London hospital, about 50 nurses belonging to the National Union of Public Employees joined striking porters, cleaners and canteen staff. The nurses' main union has pledged never to strike.

The Longbridge men voted by an overwhelming majority to strike on the advice of their shopfloor union organizers. The plant makes the famous Leyland Mini and medium-duty Allegro models and its daily production has a showroom value of \$5 million.

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Sanaa releases political prisoners

SANAA, Feb. 7 (R) — North Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh has ordered the release of all political prisoners detained during the past five years, Sanaa Radio reported Wednesday.

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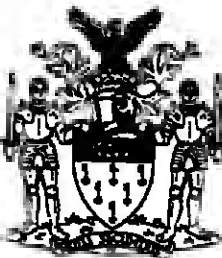
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Minister says

Sweden open to Saudi goods

By Farouk Luqman
JEDDAH, Feb. 7 — Sweden will not erect trade barriers against exports from planned Saudi industries or petrochemical complexes, Swedish Commerce Minister Haddar Cars confirmed here Wednesday.

"Ours is a free economy," the minister told a press conference here at the close of his official visit to Saudi Arabia as guest of Commerce Minister Dr. Soliman A. Solaim.

Cars said during his visit he was impressed with Saudi industrialization plans and with the government's stricter control of industry and the foreign companies working here.

Showing

The Saudi government, he said, was slowing down development in favor of a more deliberate progress. "Companies wishing to take part in Saudi programs must now plan on a long-term basis." He said he was also impressed with attempts to reduce inflation to manageable levels and particularly with the clearing of the backlog at the ports — a

major factor in the runaway inflation of four years ago.

While greater Swedish participation in Saudi projects was the responsibility of the private sectors of both countries, Cars said he had discussed with Saudi officials co-operation in government programs for steel production, hospital building and staffing and telecommunications, where the Swedish firm L.M. Ericsson is taking part in the SR10.8 billion telephone expansion.

Yamani meets Kuwait minister

JEDDAH, Feb. 7 (SPA) — Kuwaiti Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah left here Wednesday after a one day visit during which he held discussions with his Saudi counterpart Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani.

He was seen off at the airport by Yamani, Dr. Abdul Hadi Taher, governor of Petroleum and a number of officials from the Petroleum Ministry.

Cars also held talks at the Petroleum and Mineral Resources Ministry with Deputy Minister Abdul Aziz Al-Turki Tuesday. Sweden is totally dependent on imports of crude oil.

Cars said that talks would continue towards a specific agreement on energy as part of moves to define specific areas of cooperation. Transportation was another area to be studied, he said, although no general trade agreement was planned.

Cars said that the Saudi government had also expressed interest in seeking Swedish help in planning the town of Yanbu — which Cars visited Wednesday to dedicate a SR105 million capital intensive bulk cement plant, constructed by the Swedish firm Cementa.

Tuesday, the minister opened enlarged headquarters for the Swedish trade commission, to reflect the increase in Saudi-Swedish trade. Swedish exports of vehicles to Saudi Arabia, which do not include consultants' fees, amounted to SR1 billion last year, Cars said.



OPEN: Swedish Commerce Minister Haddar Cars speaking at a press conference in Jeddah Wednesday.

Saudi delegation to attend 3rd World trade conference

RIYADH, Feb. 7 (SPA) — Deputy Commerce Minister Yusuf Al-Hamdan leaves here Friday to lead a group of officials from the Ministries of Finance and National Economy, Planning and Foreign Affairs to the ministerial conference of the Group of 77 developing countries in Tanzania.

The conference, which opened Monday will attempt to work out unified demands for the developing countries to present at the Philippines meeting of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) at the end of May.

These demands are likely to include proposals to the industrial world for conditions more suitable to the expansion and diversification of Third World exports.

Commerce Minister Dr. So-

laiman A. Solaim will lead the Saudi delegation to the UNCTAD conference.

Saudia reserves non-smoking area

JEDDAH, Feb. 7 — Non-smokers may now reserve seats in first-class compartment on Saudia's European flights, the airline announced Wednesday. The airline has reserved 16 seats on Boeing 707 aircraft and 20 on Tristars for non-smokers and will extend the experiment to economy class, if it proves popular, Saudia said.

Farm minister leaves for Bonn

RIYADH, Feb. 7 (SPA) — Minister of Agriculture and Water Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh flew to West Germany Wednesday at the head of an official delegation on a five-day visit at the invitation of Josef Ertl, minister of food and agriculture.

Fahd gives nod to Lagoon center

JEDDAH, Feb. 7 — Crown Prince Fahd has given approval for an SR600 million civic center, comprising a mosque, shops, an aquarium, restaurants and lecture halls near the Lagoon by the Foreign Ministry, here, "Al-Medina" quoted Mayor Muhammad Said Farisi as saying Wednesday. The center will be run by the Saudi Hotels and Resort Areas Company for 20 years, after which the site will revert to the municipality, Farisi said.

At Khobar meeting

Apicorp okays chemical plant

AL-KHOBAR, Feb. 7 (SPA) — The board of the Arab Petroleum Investment Corporation (Apicorp) at a meeting at its headquarters here Wednesday agreed to set up a plant for the production of ancillary chemical agents for the production of ammonia, methanol and hydrogen.

The meeting was presided over by Petromin's Jamal Hassan Jawa, current board chairman, and attended by representatives from the seven members of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) which formed the company in 1975 to channel investment into oil related projects in member states.

The board gave approval in principle to the plant which will produce the chemical agents which are added to by-products of oil exploitation for the production of the three chemicals.

The board also decided to conduct discussions with local chemical fertilizer companies, refineries and foreign companies which now manufacture these agents.

The decisions will be submitted to the next board meeting. Meanwhile Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi arrived in Bahrain Wednesday for talks on a joint aluminum project with

Bahraini Minister of Development and Industry Yusuf Al-Shirawi Dr. Al-Gosaibi is accompanied by Abdul Aziz Al-Zamil, chief executive of the Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC).

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— OH: Petroleum Minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Al-Yamani (right) accompanying Kuwait Oil Minister Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah from his aircraft at Jeddah Airport Wednesday.

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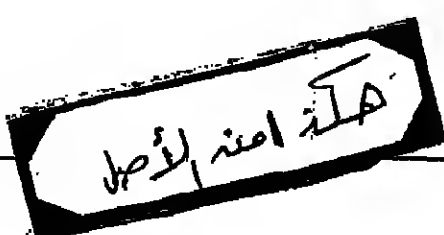
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Reports of Israeli torture said worrying Washington

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—New reports from United States Embassy personnel alleging Israeli torture of Palestinian prisoners prompted the State Department greatly to toughen the language of its 1979 human rights report, the "Washington Post" said Wednesday.

The confidential cables from American diplomats, which began coming in last May 31, alleged that the most severe torture included "refrigeration, use of electricity, hanging by the hands or feet, extreme forms of sexual sadism, interrogation accompanied by starvation, enforced sleeplessness," the "Post" said.

The cables, according to the newspaper, reported "the possibility that...brutality in the interrogation of Arab political prisoners is a systematic practice...backed up by...administrative support and protected by standard methods of suppressing complaints..."

The secret 1978 cables were the first American Embassy reports suggesting systematic Israeli abuse of Arab prisoners, the "Post" said. The 1979 human rights report, due to be made public Wednesday or Thursday, said, "the accu-

lation of reports, some from credible sources, make it appear that instances of mistreatment have occurred."

The embassy allegations were based on interviews conducted with 29 Palestinians by

Alexander Johnson, a junior foreign service officer, the "Post" said. The Palestinians, who had been charged with membership in illegal Palestinian groups, were applying for visas to the United States.

Aden president supports anti-Shah demonstrators

KUWAIT, Feb. 7 (R) — South Yemeni President Abdullah Ismail has expressed support for Iran's anti-Shah movement under Ayatollah Khomeini.

He returned home Wednesday, from a tour which took him to Libya, Syria and Kuwait.

Speaking at a press conference Tuesday, President Ismail said the revolution in Iran was a natural development and a popular uprising against the Shah's "regime of repression and complicity with imperialism and Zionism."

President Ismail attacked the rulers in North Yemen, accusing them of persecuting their people and working against their interests.

President Ismail also said there could be no relations between his country and Oman as long as the Gulf state had foreign troops on South Yemen's territory.

He said the insurgency in Oman's southern region of Dhofar, which Sultan Qaboos has crushed with help of Iranian troops, was a just struggle.

The South Yemeni leader, who said there were no Soviet or Cuban troops in his country, said he would visit the Soviet Union shortly to conclude economic and cultural accords.

He paid tribute to the Soviet Union for its support of the Arabs.

A South Yemen embassy spokesman in Kuwait had earlier said the president's tour would also include Saudi Arabia, Iraq and the United Arab Emirates.

President Ismail had been expected to fly to Baghdad from Kuwait, and it was not known why he flew home instead.

Headed political section

Former Turkish police chief killed

ISTANBUL, Feb. 7 (AP)—Police were searching Wednesday for two presumed leftist terrorists who shot and killed former chief of the political section of the national police, sources said.

Uguz Aykodu's car came under heavy pistol fire late Tuesday night by the two gunmen in a downtown sector of Istanbul, police sources said. The assassins fled in a waiting car after the assassination.

Aykodu served as the poli-

tical section chief in the turbulent years of martial law in the early 1970s when the army cracked on student-led terrorism and sent about 4,000 persons behind bars.

Anonymous persons calling local newspapers said the "Turkish Peoples Liberation Army Front" claimed credit for the killing. It is Marxist-Leninist underground band that originally dates back to the early 1970s.

The founders of the terrorist gang pulled off many of the

kidnap-murders, bank robberies and bombing attacks that disrupted Turkey prior to and after the proclamation of martial law.

His gunshot-killing follows by five days the ambush-killing of Turkey's well-known Editor Abdi Ipekci by a presumed right-wing gunman.

Turkish police Wednesday took into custody a university student as a suspect in the assassination of Abdi Ipekci, the Anatolia News Agency reported.



SOLDIERS: Eritrean women are also training to fight the Ethiopians. The EPLF claims it has repulsed a major Ethiopian counter-offensive.

900 Ethiopians said killed

Eritreans claim winning major battle

ROME, Feb. 7 (R) — Eritrean insurgents Tuesday reported heavy fighting in the strategic Red Sea port of Massawa.

But the drive was repulsed, Haile said and added, "They have been forced to go back."

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West Bank demonstrations continue

TEL AVIV, Feb. 7 (R) — Palestinian demonstrations continued in the occupied West Bank Wednesday despite the arrest of several youths Tuesday night for creating similar disturbances. Palestinians have been protesting for the past week against the demolition or blocking up of houses occupied by people suspected by the Israelis of carrying out commando attacks.

S. Yemen denies North's charges

ADEN, Feb. 7 (R) — South Yemen Wednesday denied that its military planes had violated the airspace of its neighbor North Yemen. The official Aden News Agency said there was no need for South Yemen to take such action.

Tito confers with Iraq's Bakr

BAGHDAD, Feb. 7 (R) — Iraqi President Ahmad Hassan Al-Bakr had formal talks here Wednesday with visiting President Tito of Yugoslavia on bilateral relations and Arab and international developments. The Iraq News Agency said the talks also covered bilateral cooperation in all fields.

Amin sends message to Sadat

CAIRO, Feb. 7 (R) — President Idi Amin of Uganda has sent a message to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, the newspaper "Al-Akhbar" said Wednesday. It did not disclose its contents. Amin has also sent a similar message to Arab League Secretary General Mahmoud Riad.

Kuwait ruler gets Bahrain's note

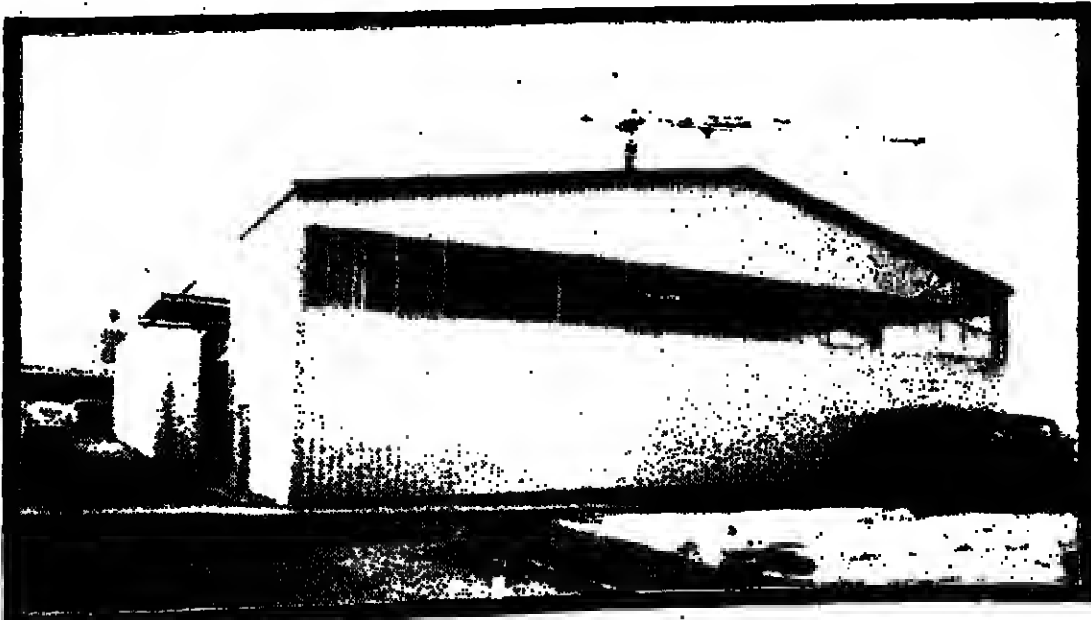
KUWAIT, Feb. 7 (R) — The Ruler of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah Wednesday received a message from the Ruler of Bahrain Sheikh Isa Ben Salman Al-Khalifa on bilateral relations and Gulf issues.

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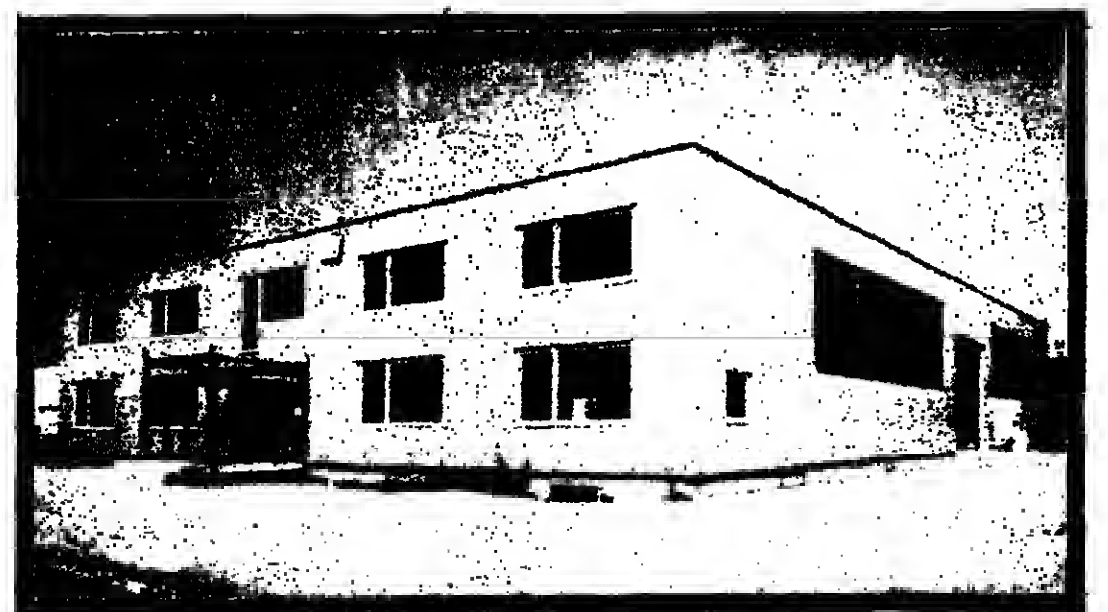
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Second freighter crowded with Vietnamese

3,000 refugees slip into Hong Kong

HONG KONG, Feb. 7 (AP) — Another freighter jammed with Vietnamese sailed into Hong Kong waters Wednesday. Officials said the ship could stay indefinitely but questioned whether the 3,000 passengers were true refugees or people who had bought their way out.

The officials said the Vietnamese could not come ashore because Hong Kong's refugee camps are full and that it would be more humane to keep

them on the relatively roomy 3,506-ton freighter Skyluck than to bring them ashore. Food was sent to the ship.

The Taiwanese freighter dropped anchor at Lamma Island, about two miles southwest of Hong Kong. About 30 policemen boarded the freighter and reportedly seized documents and questioned the passengers and crew.

Government sources said leaving the refugees aboard the

Skyluck should draw international attention and spur other nations to do something to help the tens of thousands of refugees fleeing Vietnam.

A total of 224 other refugees from Vietnam arrived in Hong Kong Tuesday aboard fishing junks.

Singapore officials said the Skyluck left there Jan. 12 with no passengers and listed Hong Kong as its next port of call.

Hong Kong permits ships

that list Hong Kong as their first port of call to enter with refugees they have picked up at sea provided they give the Marine Department advance word on their nationality, type, number of persons aboard and reason for coming.

Photographers who got near the ship and the refugees they saw did not look like they had been adrift at sea.

An official said there was "a increasing amount of evidence" to indicate the Skyluck passengers bought their way out of Vietnam with payments to the Vietnamese government and to an international syndicate dealing in refugees.

Hong Kong sources said the Taiwanese captain, Hsiao Hung-din, told police he picked up the refugees during a 27-day trip from Singapore. The trip which usually takes four days, took longer because of breakdowns.

The route from Singapore to Hong Kong passes near Vietnam.

The ship entered Hong Kong waters without obtaining the permission required by a government order issued last month after the freighter Huey Fong brought more than 3,000 refugees from Vietnam to the colony.

Hong Kong has given refuge to hundreds of thousands of refugees from China since the Communist victory there in 1949.

Hanoi says tens of thousands found slaughtered in Cambodia

HONG KONG, Feb. 7 (R) — Mass graves containing tens of thousands of bodies have been found on a rubber plantation in northeast Cambodia, the Vietnam News Agency says.

The agency, quoting a report from the news agency of the new Vietnamese-backed government in Phnom Penh, described the bodies as "victims of the Pol Pot-Leng Sary regime" overthrown last month.

It said tens of thousands of bodies had been unearthed from graves found on the Chup rubber plantation, 100 kilometers

Filipino woman dies properly second time

MANILA, Feb. 7 (AP) — Relatives of Antonia Agabin were reluctant to bury her when she died last week. The first time they tried, she sat up and asked for a glass of water.

That was eight years ago. The Philippine News Agency said she first moved a foot, then her head, then sat up during her wake. A sister gave her water, but other mourners fled in fright.

Last week, when she died of an undisclosed illness, the family delayed the burial, just to make sure. Mourners apparently opened the casket for a final look before finally lowering it into the grave.

ters northeast of the capital.

The agency said the Chup plantation had been the scene of a mass uprising in mid-1975 against the old government.

"The search for evidence of these monstrous crimes is continuing," it added.

There were many unconfirmed reports of mass killings in Cambodia during the three and a half-years of the Pol Pot government.

The editor-in-chief of the "Readers Digest" Asia edition, Anthony Paul, told an international hearing last year that some 750,000 people had been killed in Cambodia since the Communist takeover in 1975.

But Pol Pot fights on. His radio claimed Tuesday night that nearly 300 Vietnamese were killed and 19 tanks destroyed in recent fighting along national highways and near provincial capitals in Cambodia.

A special broadcast urged all fighters to kill "at least three to four Vietnamese each day."

The six-week-old war in Cambodia now appears to have settled into a conflict of smaller Cambodian units in the countryside trying to inflict losses on a conventional Vietnamese invasion force in quick raids.

Intelligence sources in Bangkok Hanoi's troops are making sweeps of some key areas to root out the Pol Pot loyalists.

The Voice of Democratic Cambodia, believed broadcasting out of China, claimed the victories on six battlefields in fighting Feb. 2-5. It also said its troops destroyed three military trucks and captured 84 weapons and 24 field radios and telephones.

It said the guerrillas struck a line of Soviet T54 tanks in the northeastern province of Ratanakiri Feb. 4, knocked out 18 of them and killed all the Vietnamese inside.

From all accounts the Pol Pot administration over the past four years had alienated the population by its brutal attempts to fashion an ultra-revolutionary society.

Socialists leading, polls say

Spanish election campaign opens

MADRID, Feb. 7 (AP) — Polls showed Socialists leading the field by a slight margin as Spain's political parties opened the campaign Wednesday for general elections March 1.

Police reinforcements patrolled major cities and the troubled northern Basque region as party faithful plastered walls with millions of posters.

Fresh violence punctuated the start of the three-week campaign when Basque separatists Tuesday night assassi-

nated their 15th person so far this year—a former mayor of a small town near San Sebastian.

The election, to pick a new parliament of 350 representatives and 208 senators—and possibly a new premier to replace centrist Adolfo Suarez—drew more than 6,000 candidates on the voting lists.

Pre-campaign polls gave the moderate Socialist Party of Felipe Gonzalez a slight edge over Suarez's Center Democratic Union. But the Socialists



WASHINGTON: Rep. Daniel Flood (D-Penn.), leaves court in Washington Saturday after the judge declared a mistrial in his prosecution for bribery and perjury. (AP wirephoto)

Church suggests security assurance

U.S. umbrella seen for Taiwan

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP) — Sen. Frank Church, (D-Idaho), chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, says the panel will approve legislation assuring Taiwan of its security while not endangering the new relationship between the United States and China.

During a week of hearings on the China issue, he said he is working on legislation "which will not contradict the

President's agreement with Peking."

Nonetheless, he said, "there will be a clear expression by Congress that will constitute assurance to Taiwan for its security."

Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher testified Tuesday that President Carter would probably veto any Taiwan resolution that requires an American response to military or economic threats by Peking against Taiwan.

The committee is considering legislation to implement the shift in American policy, announced by Carter Dec. 15, under which the United States will end formal diplomatic ties with Taiwan March 1 and extend recognition to Peking.

The committee is specifically considering an administration proposal to establish a private American institute to handle future relations with Taiwan.

The senior Republican on the panel, Sen. Jacob Javits of New York, urged approval of a resolution similar to the 1955 Mutual Defense Treaty that is being terminated between the United States and Taiwan, effective the end of

1979. The treaty declares that after any military threat from mainland China both Taiwan and the United States "will act to meet the common danger in accordance with their constitutional processes."

Church said he opposed using the treaty as a model for congressional action on Taiwan. That would be "an affront" to Peking, he said.

Caryatids to be carried off to Acropolis museum

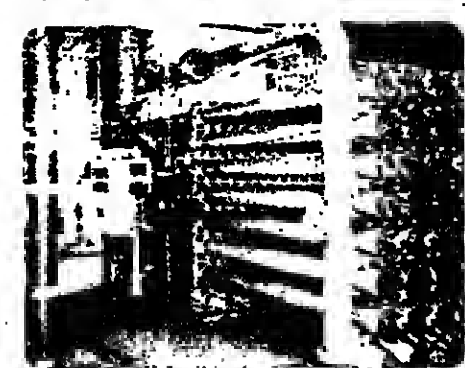
ATHENS, Feb. 7 (AP) — The 25-century-old Caryatids Porch on the Acropolis, depicting six maidens holding up a section of the Erechtheum temple, will be removed in a few months to an indoor museum and replaced with replicas, the Greek minister of culture says. It is to save the porch from pollution.

"The Caryatids will not spend another winter in the open-air, if all goes well, they will find themselves protected in the Acropolis Museum by the autumn of this year," Prof. Dimitrios Nianias said.

Restoration of the Erechtheum, which began in January, is expected to last another four years and cost at least \$750,000.

Nianias added that as soon as that project is completed, restoration will proceed to the main Parthenon, on top of the Acropolis, and on the Propylaea, the entrance to the monuments.

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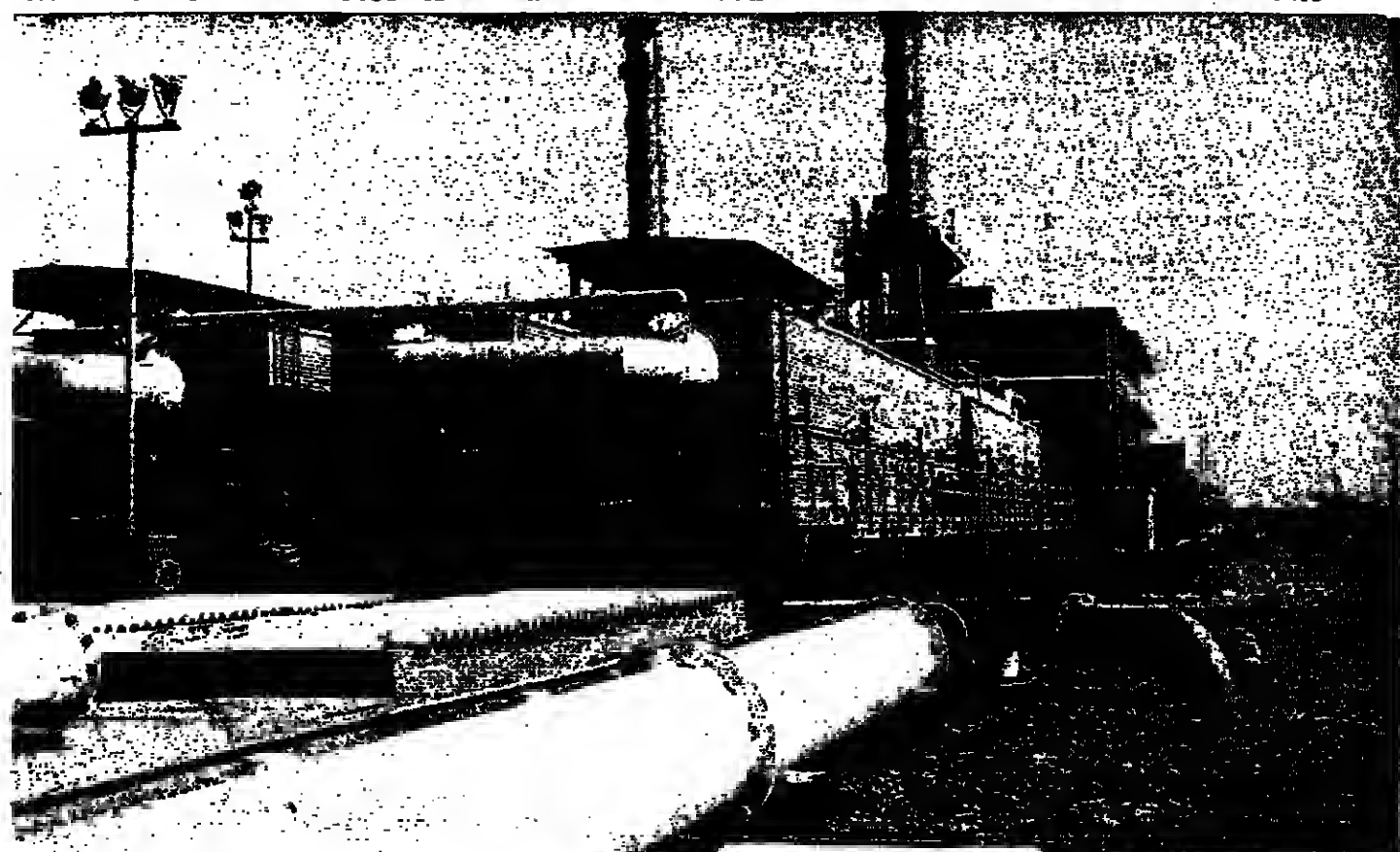
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West may evacuate Zaire ; Belgium sends 250 troops

BRUSSELS, Feb. 7 (AP) — About 250 Belgian paratroopers are en route to Zaire in connection with the possible evacuation of 30,000 Westerners. Riots are expected over near starvation conditions in the country and anti-foreign feeling is said to be intense.

The expedition comes less than a year after Belgium intervened at the request of President Mobutu Sese Seko after violence erupted in the mineral-rich southern province of Shaba launched by Angola-based rebels that resulted in widespread killing.

Sources say unrest caused by a lack of adequate food supplies has been aggravated by the sight of 30,000-odd Europeans — affluent and well-fed — who live in the capital city of Kinshasa.

The growing unrest led the Belgian government to send Harvard diploma will now cost over \$32,560

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. Feb. 7 (AP) — The cost of a Harvard education is going past \$8,000 a year, the university has announced.

The school said it will cost \$712 more — a total of \$8,140 — to spend next year at the college, one of the country's oldest and most prestigious.

Harvard said undergraduate tuition will rise \$450, to \$5,300, dormitory rents will increase \$100 to \$1,400, and board will rise \$162 to \$1,440.

The overall increase of 9.6 per cent is in compliance with President Carter's wage-price guidelines, according to Harvard financial vice president, Thomas O'Brien.

"Under the guidelines," O'Brien said in a news release distributed by the university, "an institution is permitted to raise its fees so as not to incur a deficit. Without the increases, the quality of instruction and student life might suffer."

The fee increases, the university said, are necessary to maintain a break-even budget without reducing programs or services.

Advocate of return to Britain defeated in Rhodesia election

SALISBURY, Feb. 7 (AP) — A white minister who quit Rhodesia's transition government last December urging Britain take control of the country was soundly defeated Wednesday when he sought re-election to the still white-dominated legislature.

Former Minister Rollo Hayman has claimed that the black-dominated government due to be elected in April will fall within weeks to the guerrillas.

The by-election, among white voters in the rambling northeast rural constituency of Mzaoe, centered on the "return to legality" issue. Hayman is among a small group of prominent whites who want Prime

Minister Smith to renounce his 1965 unilateral Declaration of Independence and place the country under a British administrator, in line with Anglo-American proposals put forward 15 months ago.

Hayman polled only 165 votes, compared with 611 for a local farmer, Paddy Millar, who stood on the ticket of Smith's Rhodesian Front Party. Less than half the voters went to the polls. The by-election was the last to be held under the present white-minority constitution, to be formally repealed this week.

The transition government's new constitution, overwhelmingly approved by the white elec-



PUNKSUTAWNEY PHIL: The world famous groundhog looks for his shadow on Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pa. Legend says, if Phil sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter, if not, an early spring. (AP photo)

Jim Jones' son wins court case on Temple deaths

GEORGETOWN, Guyana, Feb. 7 (R) — Magistrates Monday cleared the son of Peoples Temple leader Jim Jones of responsibility in the cult's mass-murder-suicide in Guyana last November.

More than 900 cult members died.

The court cleared Stephen Jones, 19, of killing four temple followers and of attempting to murder another.

Charles Belkman, 45, also a Temple member, was sent for trial on the same charges.

Jones' father died along with other members of the sect.

The youth said he now wanted to tell the whole story of what happened when cult members swallowed poison together.

"It was not like a mass suicide," he told the Caribbean news agency. "It was more like a mass murder."

Jones said he wanted to write a book describing the event.

Carter to seek \$11m arms aid to Bangkok

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP) — President Carter said Tuesday he is "deeply committed to Thailand's security and will ask Congress to provide \$11.3 million in additional ammunition for its military forces."

The proposed increase in U.S. assistance was disclosed as Thailand's prime minister, Kriangsak Chavanon, opened an official visit with a 90-minute meeting with Carter.

Associate Press Secretary Jerrold Schecter said Carter told Kriangsak he expected Congressional approval for the cost-free transfer of artillery, and small arms.

The decision reflected growing fears in the United States and Thailand about the Vietnamese led conquest of Cambodia which shares a long border with Thailand.

Carter, in a statement apparently addressed to Vietnam told Kriangsak during a welcoming ceremony at the White House

that the United States "very interested in and deeply committed to the integrity and the freedom and the security of Thailand."

The transfer of ammunition to Thailand is the second such gesture in less than a month. Shortly after the new year began, the administration disclosed it was planning a \$6 million increase in military aid to Bangkok.

In addition, the United States has played a major role in rallying international public opinion against the Vietnamese. With full American backing, an anti-Vietnam resolution was approved last month by the U.N. Security Council with only the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia in opposition.

In his public remarks, Carter also reaffirmed that the United States will abide by its security commitments to Thailand, which are contained in the 1954 Manila Pact.

Tompion clock sells for \$130,000

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP) — A bracket clock made by the famous British clockmaker Thomas Tompion, dating 1676-1680, has fetched a world record auction price of 65,000 pounds (\$130,000) at Christie's in London, the auction house said Wednesday. The buyer remained anonymous. The clock is known as the Sussex Tompion because one of its previous owners was George III's sixth son, the Duke of Sussex. The duke sold it in 1843 for 12 pounds.

John Wayne still in hospital

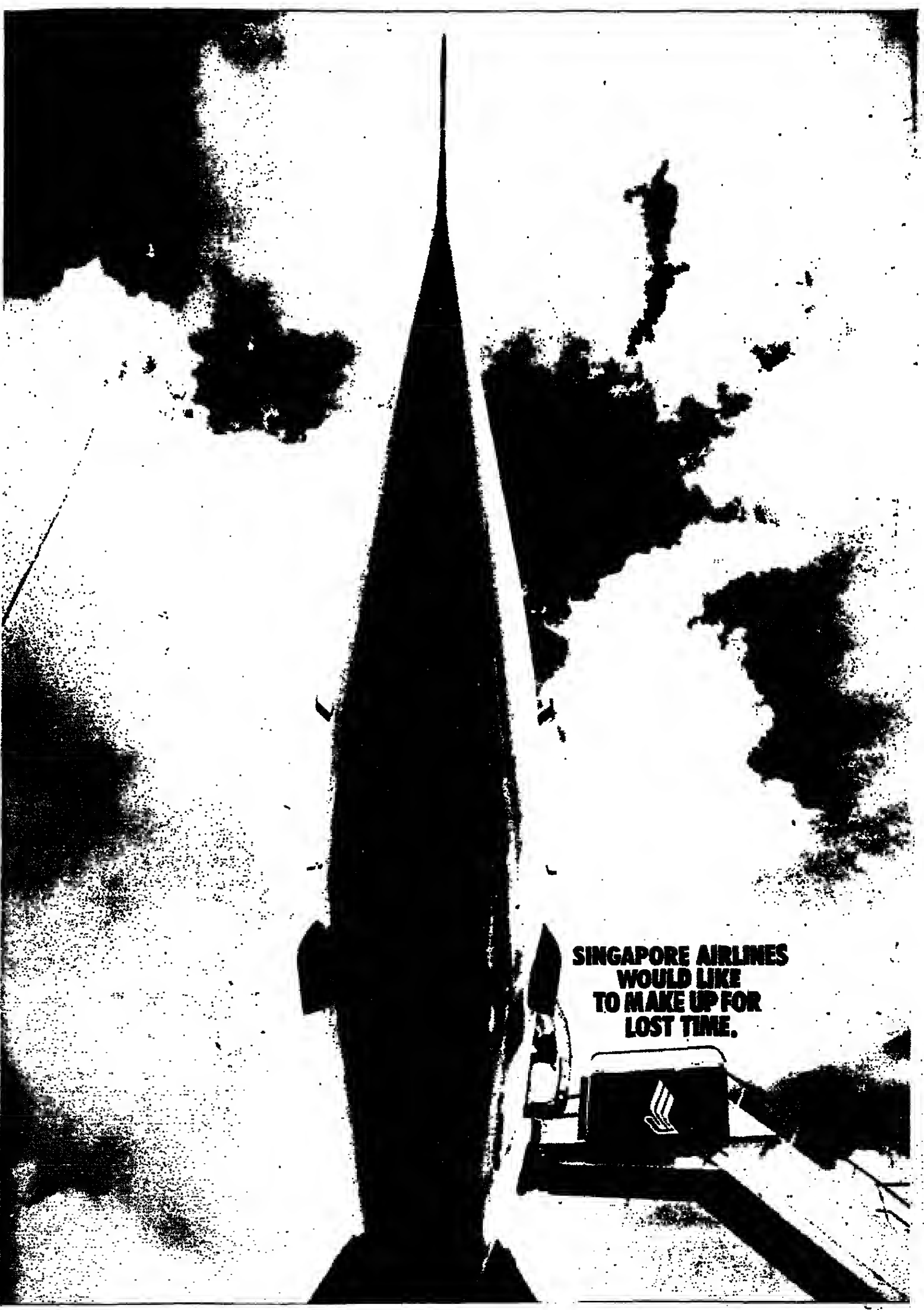
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 7 (AP) — John Wayne, recovering from a cancer operation, is still in the UCLA Medical Center and hospital officials now aren't saying when he'll be released. "We know that he's leaving but there's no definite word on when he will be going home," the Medical Center said Tuesday.

At least 200 die in Brazil floods

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 7 (R) — Floods in Brazil have killed at least 200 people and made 160,000 homeless officials said Tuesday. Many towns were without electricity or gas. The air force flew food and medicine to the worst-hit areas.

Unpaid gas bill results in death

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (R) — Eight-month-old Cynthia Fillicca was found frozen to death Tuesday in a New York house where the heat had been turned off since October because of an unpaid gas bill, police said. Her brother Thomas, too was taken to hospital with frostbite. The temperature inside the house was 20 degrees Fahrenheit (minus 6.7 centigrade), only a few degrees warmer than outside.



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WINNERS AND LOSERS

The Washington administration continues to support the efforts of the moderate government of Dr. Shahpour Bakhtiar while Moscow has thrown its lot behind the popular movement of Ayatollah Khomeini. Neither the Americans nor the Russians really care about who finally inherits the peacock throne but they both share the great desire to see a quick end to the troubles. The Americans support Bakhtiar because they feel that his government will be more amenable to their interests than a Khomeini-led state. The Russians will be the last people to support an Islamic republic but they may have calculated that since their supporters will be effectively neutralized in an Islamic state, their support for Khomeini now may help to win them favorable treatment later when it comes to oil purchases.

The continuing disruption of the Iranian production is badly affecting world supplies. Many producers have stepped up production to help but their efforts have fallen short of the needed targets. There is already talk in the U.S. in favor of a two or even three-fold increase in oil taxes. This is clearly an exaggeration of the existing problem but it underlines the difficulties coming up. The Russians have been hurt even more directly. For several weeks now they have been getting only marginal quantities of gas from Iran.

If the world oil situation is anything to go by, a final showdown in Iran should take place later this week because the confrontation between the army-backed government and the Khomeini forces will not last forever. For his part, Dr. Bakhtiar knows that his government is hardly exercising any power with the ministries working every other day and not being able to carry out any policies. Khomeini has the street forces to worry about; he has already unleashed a popular revolution and will not see it fizzle out before his hand-picked prime minister is safely in office. He also fears that his adversaries are trying to embroil him in local politics in the hope that he might lose some of the lustre he has acquired in exile abroad.

The army continues to represent a more or less solid and unified front and this at least puts the minds of the Americans at ease with regards to the advanced weaponry and technology that they have invested in the Shah's regime. The Americans do not want their top secret equipment to fall into alien hands and this may be another reason why they prefer the moderation of Dr. Bakhtiar to the extremism of Khomeini.

But the final outcome remains an open question. Dr. Bakhtiar may not be able to last even with the army behind him. Khomeini, on the other hand, has already started contacts with army leaders and may soon reach agreement with them at the expense of the Bakhtiar government. The Americans have persuaded the army generals not to attempt a coup d'etat so if this option is really denied them, a deal with Khomeini may gain in support among the generals.

Developments in Iran leave no doubt that there will be winners and losers. This is not limited to the Iranian groups themselves, but also to the big powers and neighbors. So far the Arab neighbors have been very careful not to become involved. This is the safest policy.

Cyprus bind

By Chris Drake

NICOSIA — Efforts are being made to prevent a complete breakdown in attempts to bring Greek and Turkish Cypriot leaders to the negotiating table, according to government sources.

Until last week, hopes had been high that the two communities would be able to reach agreement and resume inter-communal talks aimed at solving the five-year-old Cyprus problem.

Now there is an air of pessimism as sources on both sides admit serious differences remain.

At the heart of the problem are conditions which the Turkish Cypriot leadership has set in return for their agreement to return to the negotiating table. Conditions that the Greek Cypriot leadership has rejected.

The conditions are reported to be:

— That the economic blockade imposed by the Cyprus government on the occupied north of the island be lifted.

— That the government agree to stop "internationalizing" the Cyprus problem.

— That Greek Cypriots be allowed back into a now deserted Famagusta suburb occupied by the Turks since the 1974 Turkish invasion — but only gradually, their numbers depending on progress at the talks.

The task of finding a compromise has fallen to the spe-

cial United Nations representative in Cyprus, Reynaldo Galindo-Pol, of Salvador.

Since last December, when U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim put forward his own proposals to replace the so-called American plan which had been rejected, Galindo-Pol has been heavily involved in secret shuttle diplomacy.

So far he has seen Cypriot Foreign Minister Nicos Rolandis at least 20 times, and Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktaş on a dozen occasions.

According to government sources, the U.N. envoy has had some success with the "Waldheim Formula", which closely resembles the plan originally put forward by the Americans several months ago, but has been unable to soften the three Turkish Cypriot conditions.

This week was seen as the crucial period for the U.N. efforts.

Final decision was widely expected to be taken by both sides, allowing Waldheim to announce a resumption of the negotiations coinciding with a visit by him to Greece, Turkey and Cyprus.

Such expectations were strengthened by his announcement in New York last week that a planned trip to the Far East had been cancelled in order that he could be ready to deal with the Cyprus problem and the situation in Namibia. (R)

"THEY ALL RUN TOGETHER"



Fuel saving plan in U.S.

By Stan Benjamin

WASHINGTON — Concerned over the cutoff of Iranian oil, President Jimmy Carter has ordered federal agencies to intensify fuel-saving efforts in a drive to head off mandatory conservation measures for the United States.

A memo from Carter to agency heads suggests reducing thermostat settings, lighting, vehicle use, and energy-hungry research.

Energy Secretary James Schlesinger and his staff plan some heavy "jawboning" of industry officials to persuade them to follow Carter's example, step up their fuel-saving, and switch from oil to coal or natural gas if possible.

An informed administration source said even more stringent measures were being drafted for Carter's consideration, such as restriction of parking privileges for federal employees, and perhaps an absolute limit on gasoline for the federal fleet of vehicles.

This source said the continued shutdown of Iran's oil production, the result of political upheaval, has just begun to affect imports into the United States. The last tanker from Iran has just arrived.

The source said the continued absence of Iranian oil, unless offset by OPEC production or U.S. conservation measures, could lead to a shortage of about one million barrels a day in the United States, or about five percent of daily requirements.

Internationally, further growth of the oil shortage could trigger into effect an existing agreement under which the United States may have to share available oil supplies with allies who face worse shortages, this source noted.

"Unless we do everything we can voluntarily, we may be dragged reluctantly into allocations. Sunday service-station closings, easing environmental regulations, the kind of things we had to do during the Arab oil embargo in 1974," this source said.

In his memo to the federal agencies, issued last Friday, Carter said, "because of the world shortfall in oil production resulting from the Iranian situation, I am directing that executive departments and establishments take immediate steps to reduce the use of petroleum fuels."

Carter ordered them to set goals and issue instructions by Feb. 15, and to report the resulting fuel savings in a quarterly report three months later.

The president suggested setting thermostats in federal buildings at or below 65 degrees during the day and 55 at night.

He also urged encouragement of carpooling and mass transit use by federal employees.

The administration source said agencies checking the possibility of switching from oil to coal or natural gas in their building heating systems where air quality standards will not be violated, and the Energy Department plans to switch to coal in its own headquarters, the Forrestal Building here.

"We're going to start talking industry groups in for jawboning," this source added.

"And we're sending special teams out looking for available natural gas that can be hooked into the interstate pipeline systems."

"We know there is some gas out there, but a lot of people are reluctant to make commitments until the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issues its final regulations on March 1, for implementing the natural gas policy act passed last year."

"There is a lot of uncertainty there, so we're trying very hard behind the scenes to get that gas moving."

Carter's memo was the first new presidential command for government fuel saving since the winter natural gas shortages two years ago, but this time oil imports cannot provide relief.

"This is not just a winter problem," the source said. "There will be a three to five per cent squeeze for a long time even if Iran comes back to 2.5 million barrels a day production (less than half its previous output)...We have to beat the bushes for some energy supplies with an eye to rebuilding the oil inventories." —(AP)

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"Al-Bilad" said that the forthcoming visit of Crown Prince Fahd to the United States "will be an important landmark on account of the situation in the region."

"It would be necessary to persuade the U.S. government to reassess the situation, review the Camp David agreements and turn them into a comprehensive plan that will satisfy the demands of the region for a just and lasting peace," the paper said.

It added that the visit will also be concerned with economic and technological cooperation between the two countries and ways of expanding this cooperation.

"The visit may be of fundamental importance within the context of consultation and cooperation that aims at gaining greater support for Arab issues and especially for the Palestinian question which is one of the basic principles of Saudi policy."

The complexity of problems related to the import of foreign labor was once more a subject of comment in "Al-Medina."

The paper said that the procedure for importing foreign workers "is still complex and frustrating and has put a premium on workers of all types because of the absence of fair competition."

"The result has been to make the cost of labor in Saudi Arabia one of the highest in the world. While a worker's wage in Egypt is usually between SR.3 SR.5, in Pakistan between SR.2 and SR.3, and in Indonesia between SR.2 and SR.5, daily wages here have soared from SR.10 five years ago to SR.120 because of the soaring demand for foreign workers."

The paper said that regulations for recruiting foreign workers should be facilitated "so that we can get the right worker at a reasonable cost. As things stand, and because we have no choice but to pay the going price, foreign workers have literally run away with our wealth for providing poor service."

Calling for the "Saudiization" of telephone service personnel, "Al-Jazirah" said the Minister of Posts, Telephones and Telegraph, Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal, has promised to reward the service for a successful Saudiization program.

But the paper criticized the company for discriminating against Saudi personnel in favor of its foreign staff.

"A Saudi maintenance engineer receives a fraction of what a foreigner gets for doing the same job," the paper claimed.

"Such discrimination has forced many Saudis to quit, and unless the remaining ones are treated more justly, there will soon be no Saudis in the telephone company."

"Oklar" said "it is up to the Iranian parliament to decide the dispute between Bakhtiar and the Khomeini appointed government of Mehdi Bazar-gan."

Japan's 'omnidirectional policy'

By Mark Murray

TOKYO — Japan's new "omnidirectional diplomacy" is in fact a result of the latest Indochina war.

As enunciated last year by the then Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda, the policy was "to be friends with everyone." Unfortunately, the Japanese forgot that you can't please all the people all the time.

It is rather ironic that, in spite of its dominant world position as an economic power, Japan continues to fare badly in foreign relations. A string of failures culminated last year in its defeat at the hands of Bangladesh for a seat in the U.N. Security Council.

That demonstrated to shocked foreign ministry officials here that Japan is still a beginner in diplomacy and that its past performance has made it unpopular, particularly in the developing world whose U.N. vote is now all-important.

The big complaint has always been that Japan practices "expediency" diplomacy, reacting to situations in a self-seeking way.

Never was the Tokyo government's innocence better demonstrated than in Indochina, where for years successive Japanese governments helped the United States prop up anti-Communist regimes which collapsed one by one in the 1970s.

The Japanese then made an abrupt about-turn and, after getting over the minor embarrassment of past policies, had managed in the past year or so to establish a reasonably satisfactory working relationship with the new Communist governments running Indo-

china, particularly in Vietnam. Hanoi was keen for Japanese trade and aid, and Tokyo was eager to fill the need.

Japanese officials began to see their country as providing a unique bridge towards peace and stability in the entire region between the Communist states on one side and the five-member Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the other. The bridge, however, has been swept away by the Cambodia-Vietnam fighting — if it ever existed.

In December, visiting Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Duy Trinh was strongly warned that Japanese aid for his country in future would depend on Hanoi settling any disputes with its various neighbors peacefully.

When Vietnamese forces rolled over Cambodia last month, Japan's foreign policy towards the area collapsed. The immediate effect was a decision to delay aid already approved, and not to approve any new assistance to Hanoi. Even shipments of rice for Vietnamese flood victims were halted.

The premises on which Japan's Southeast Asian policy was based were extremely flimsy, and it is little surprising that they failed to survive the first storm.

A further result of the Cambodian fighting has been to concentrate Japanese eyes more clearly on ASEAN, to which Tokyo has now promised full support for any decisions taken to react to the latest Vietnamese aggression.

But, despite all the nice words and summit conferences, Japan has really made very little headway in overcoming

ASEAN suspicions of its motives.

The first test of Japan's change of heart was provided by Thai Prime Minister Kriangsak Chamanan, who visited Tokyo in mid-January demanding a heavy Tokyo commitment to his country's economic development plans. He managed to win a pledge of 46 billion yen on much easier loan repayment terms than the Japanese had previously given.

But then Thailand discovered that Japan had offered Vietnam even more attractive loan terms.

The difficulty of the "omnidirectional diplomacy" was further demonstrated by the involvement of rival big power interests in the Indochina border conflict. With China supporting the existing Cambodian government of Pol Pot, and the Russians backing Vietnam, poor Japan was caught in a no-win situation.

In fact, the inherent dangers of the Sino-Soviet rivalry were clearly displayed when China, for the first time, sought to invoke a clause in its recently signed peace treaty with Japan to belabor Moscow.

On Jan. 16, China's ambassador in Tokyo asked the Japanese government to join his own government in a joint condemnation of Soviet hegemony in Indochina through its "proxy" war on Cambodia.

The Chinese, of course, were quite entitled to do this under the terms of the peace treaty. And needless to say, the Japanese politely declined, not willing to risk further damage to the already strained relations with the Russians. —(OFNS)

Mitterrand struggles to survive

By Paul Webster

PARIS — Francois Mitterrand, the French Socialist leader, is fighting a rearguard action to stay at the head of the party so that he can fight another presidential election campaign in 1981.

Even to survive he may have to make major concessions. The party's present strategy — based on militant Socialism closely linked to the Communist Party — may have to give way to the kind of policies associated with West Germany's Social Democrats.

Such a swing would bring the party much closer to President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing's dream of imposing a centrist Social Democratic alliance in France.

Mitterrand, aged 62, faces challenges from two men, the party's national secretary, Michel Rocard, 48, who wants the presidential candidacy, and Pierre Mauroy, 49, who wants Mitterrand's job as the party's first secretary.

Both challengers say they accept the decisions on which the new Socialist Party was founded by Mitterrand in 1971 when he was converted to Socialism. These include the two key reforms of a vast nationalization program and decentralization.

But behind their challenge is an unmistakable disillusionment with their unpredictable Communist partners and a feeling that association with the Communists was the real reason for the Socialists' defeat last March.

Projects they have put up for discussion include a major review of the party's fundamental beliefs — close to Communist theories — that capitalism is dying and that France must be prepared for a new economic system. A close look at their proposals shows they intend to seek an accommodation with capitalism, a move which not only alienates the Communist Party but is also opposed by the Socialist left-wing.

Since Rocard made his challenge for the presidency an

open secret and revealed that Mauroy was ready to support him, the fight has developed into a personal as much as a political battle.

Rocard, who joined the Socialists only three years ago after leading the splinter United Socialist Party (PSU) is openly critical of the party's "archaic" structure and Mitterrand's autocracy. Much of the enmity between the two men has grown because they try to avoid each other at key debates.

Rocard, who stood as PSU presidential candidate in 1969 before beating the former Gaullist Prime Minister, Couve de Murville, in a parliamentary election, represents the middle generation of French Socialists, educated in the fifties and sixties. Like Rocard, many come from bourgeois backgrounds and have had a similar education to that of President Giscard and his advisers.

Particularly in economic theory, they are much more sure of themselves than Mitterrand, a subtle, professional politician who served in 11 ministries during the Fourth Republic, challenged de Gaulle for the presidency in 1964 but never subscribed to an identifiable political theory until 1971, when he founded the present Socialist movement. His

role has always been as an assembler of divided forces and his supporters within the party are an odd mix of hunch.

On the right wing is the mayor of Marseilles and leader of the parliamentary Socialist Party, Gaston Defferre, who has dominated southern French Socialism since the war and accepted the alliance with the Communists although he never ceases to attack them.

In an apparently considered insult, he described Rocard's Social Democratic theories as similar to those of the wartime traitor Pierre Laval, who started life as a Socialist.

Defferre is being forced to make concessions to the party's extreme Left in the interests of Mitterrand, who can only be saved by an uneasy partnership between the party's old campaigners and the youngest generation in the party represented in the extreme Left.

Left extremists account for about 20 per cent of the party and have always been hostile to Mitterrand but now have rallied behind him as they fear Rocard's "swing to the Right" even more.

In all, there are 15 identifiable tendencies within the party but on the whole it is roughly divided between Mitterrand and the Rocard-Mauroy faction. —(OFNS)

Letter to the editor

Dear Sir,

Recently your newspaper has been focusing on the situation in Afghanistan, and I, on behalf of millions of my suppressed brothers and sisters in Afghanistan thank you for bringing to light the struggle we are putting up against a handful of communists who are presently ruling our country.

Although Afghanistan is poor, primitive and backward in many ways, I am proud to say that we share a lot with the Muslim Nation and that is, a very strong belief in God, the Holy Koran and Prophet Muhammad.

It is not only hard but completely impossible for a group of non-believers to rule a nation of 17 million who literally know nothing and follow nothing but the words of God, the Holy Koran and the teachings of the Prophet.

We Afghans are very stubborn when it comes to fighting for what we believe in, and we can fight with our bare hands if we have to, because one day we will be victorious for the simple reason that God will always be with us.

Salam M.S. Mojaddidi

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"Looking for Dilmun,"
By Geoffrey Bibby, SR 9.

By Geoff Gardner
DHAHRAN — To many people, archeology conjures up images of discovering the wonders of Tutankhamen's tomb or unlocking the riddle of

Egyptian hieroglyphics with the Rosetta Stone.

To others, the archeologist's job is tedious, lonely, unprofitable, frustrating and endless. The strength of "Looking for Dilmun" is that author Geoffrey Bibby spotlights both as-

pects of the science, taking the reader with him on his search for a lost civilization. He tells his story in a personal, yet effective, way.

The reader not especially interested in archeology will be interested in the story of the man. The amateur or professional archeologist will be fascinated with the subject of Bibby's search, the land of Dilmun, and the ancient history of the Gulf area.

Either way, the prize is worth the effort. Bibby establishes that a great civilization existed from approximately 3000 B.C. to about 300 B.C., centered on what is now Bahrain.

This is the land which some romantics consider the site of the Garden of Eden, in part because of its mild temperatures during the Ice Ages. There are other myths as well. In the Gilgamesh epic, the gods chose the land of Dilmun as the place where the only survivor of a great flood came to make his home.

The scene which spurred Bibby's archeological search is a familiar one to anyone who has traveled in Bahrain.

At the time (1947), Bibby had recently arrived in Bahrain, where he was working for an oil company and was making a customary visit to the ruler of the island.

And then, ... I saw the mounds. ... (Three miles of gradually rising ground was covered with mounds, crowded so thickly together that they were,

so to say, treading on each other's skirts, the footings of one mound extending out over the footings of the next. As far as the eye could see to either side, a sweep of ten miles or more, there was no end to the mound-field; there must have been tens of thousands of mounds in view.)

Bibby didn't accept any of the prevailing explanations to his obvious questions: who built them? Why? In 1953, with two assistants and some small grants as financial backing, he returned to Bahrain as a trained archeologist with a very basic mission — to discover all he could about the ancient history of the country.

Bibby adopts a first-person narrative style, moving from Denmark to Bahrain to Qatar to the present-day Emirates and finally into Saudi Arabia where he ends with as many new questions as answers.

"Looking for Dilmun" is not a highly polished literary work. It is filled with digressions — important ones for understanding the background and previous discoveries and how they influenced the author — but the sweep of the book is great and becomes greater as Bibby moves to sites other than Bahrain to dig. And Bibby is a man in love with his work as an archeologist, which makes even his digressions and especially his musings and observations a delight to read.

Into his search for the past, Bibby weaves histories of previous excavations on Bahrain

and in the Middle East. References to the Gilgamesh epic and the myth of Enki and Ninhursag, which mentions "the land of Dilmun," stir the reader's interest and prepare him for the later discoveries.

After the early pages the reader realizes the search for Bahrain's ancient past and for the land of Dilmun are one story. The reader is swept into the hard work of discovery. Ample space is devoted to the daily routine in the team's camp.

The dig expanded in the years after 1953 and by 1960 about 50 men and women were working on the various sites. As the expedition made new discoveries, eventually dealing with much more than Dilmun, more work needed to be done.

The task was frustrating, and Bibby gives way to the aura of depression. But discovery appeared to make up for personal loss.

Bibby found a copper bull's head and the stoneware seals which drew him to the conclusion that Bahrain was indeed the center of ancient Dilmun. The discovery of an even older civilization on the Oman peninsula, plus Bibby's explorations in Saudi Arabia, compensate for the lack of other emotional and physical comforts the archeologists experience in their search.

Saudi Arabia plays an important part in the book as Bibby takes expeditions into the Empty Quarter and into the Eastern Province areas of Thaj, Tarut, Dammam, Hofuf,

and others. From these expeditions, he makes some provocative speculations about the ancient history of Saudi Arabia. Perhaps Tarut is the great walled city which reached its zenith in 300 — 100 B.C. The merchants there traded overland with the frankincense lands of Southern Arabia and by sea with Babylon, and Gertha became legend as a city of great wealth and jeweled houses. Its exact location is still a mystery.

The book has several maps, charts, graphs and photos to help the reader in the complex job of following along with Bibby. Some of the photos are of poor quality, however, and more detail could be used in

the other graphics. A glossary of technical terms for reference would also help, although the author defines most of them as the story moves along.

Probably the greatest disappointment is not knowing what has happened at the various sites since 1969. An additional chapter updating the excavations would be most helpful. Finally, the job Bibby set out to do expanded as greatly that the reader becomes a bit confused keeping up with him as he travels from place to place.

In spite of all of this, the book is valuable not only as a slice of history, but because it recounts the professional and personal thoughts of a working archeologist during a 16 year span.

Planning a new Tokyo

By Terry Anderson
TOKYO — Japan's National Land Agency has begun a five-year study on moving the capital out of Tokyo, a project that would involve a minimum of half a million people and more than \$20 billion, according to the agency's first rough estimates.

"We have to do something," Tokyo's Sakai, head of the project, said in an interview.

The population of the Tokyo metropolitan area is now 27 million people. By the year 2000 it will be 35 million.

"A number of city services are becoming deficient, including water, energy, housing, waste disposal. Living conditions are getting worse. The heavy concentration of people and industries means the area is vulnerable to natural disasters, especially an earthquake."

The government has set aside \$500,000 to begin the "capital reorganization plan for Tokyo in the 21st century" this fiscal year.

"The study will take at least five years," Sakai said. "It will take five years after that to plan implementation of

what we decide on. Then we will carry it out, probably in the 21st century."

Sakai said the capital project was part of the third development plan for Tokyo in 20 years.

Sakai said the land agency already has roughed out several general ideas. The most drastic and in Sakai's mind the least likely, is simply to move all three branches of government — legislative, executive and judicial.

"The people directly employ-

ed by the government to be moved would total 140,000, with their families 500,000. That alone would have cost four trillion yen (more than \$20 billion) in 1975. With inflation, we don't know what it would cost in 20 years," Sakai said.

Another general idea is to move the three branches of government one by one, perhaps to different areas.

"This has been done in England and Sweden," Sakai said. "It would have great effect in making local cities prosper."

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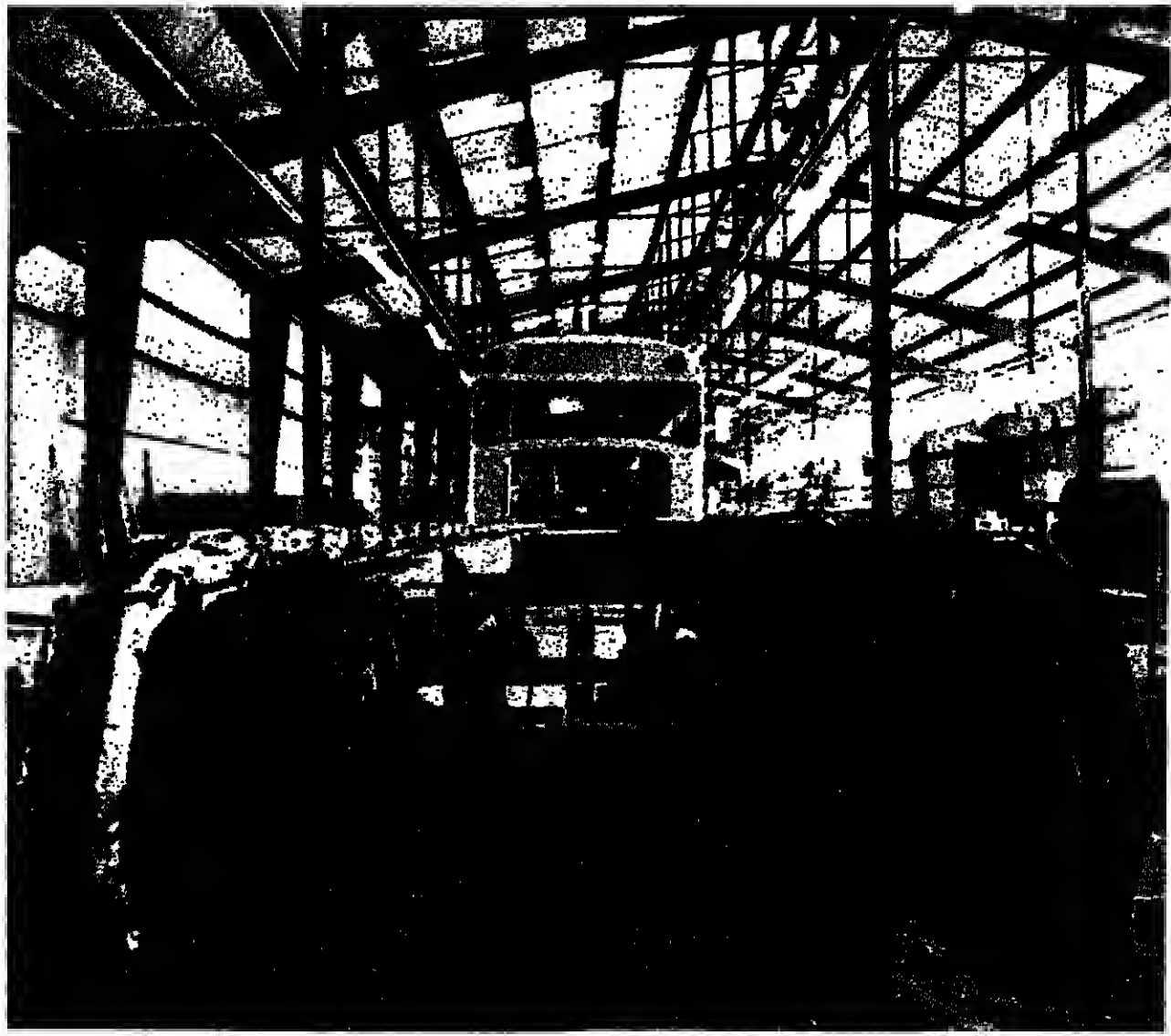
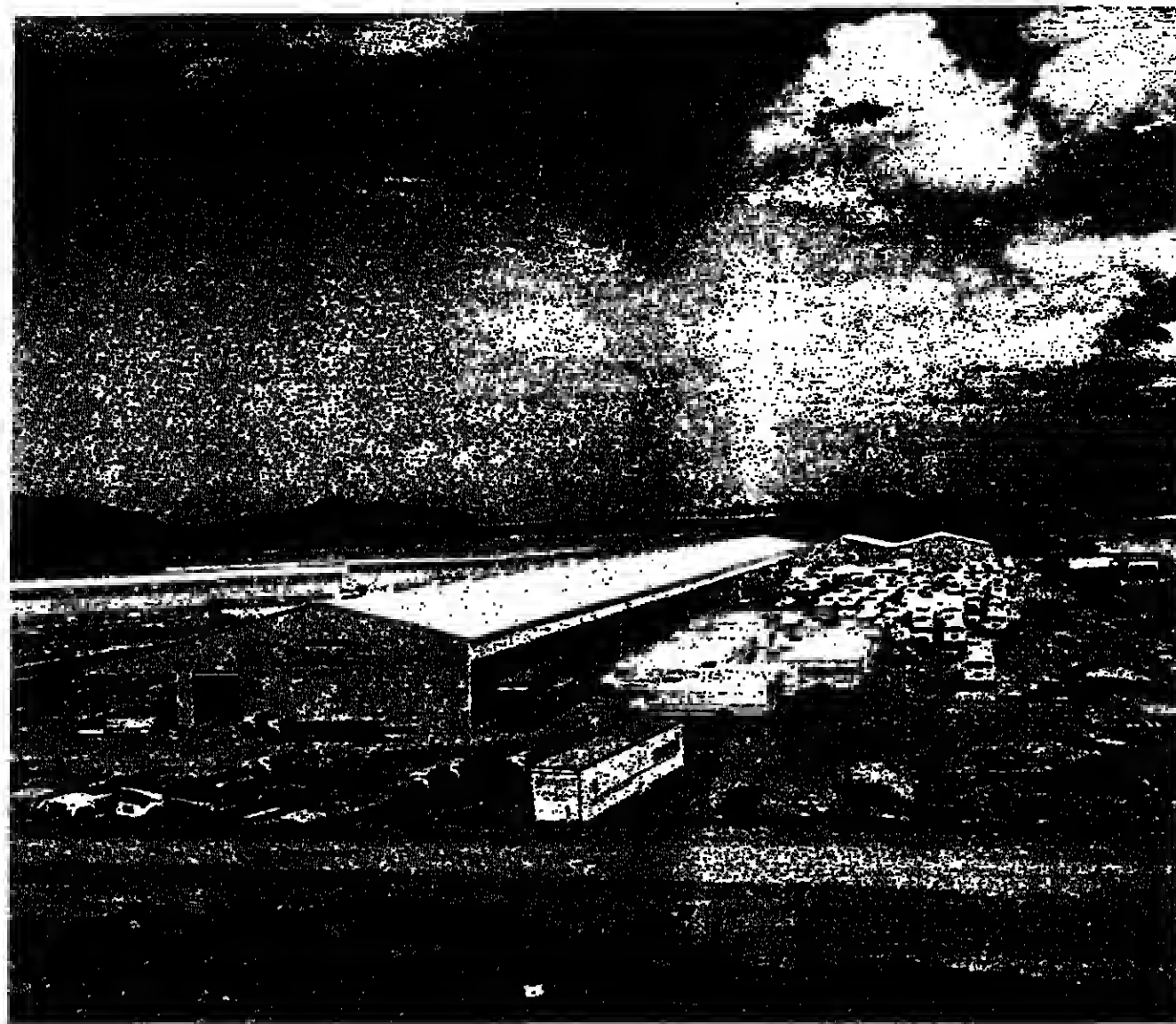
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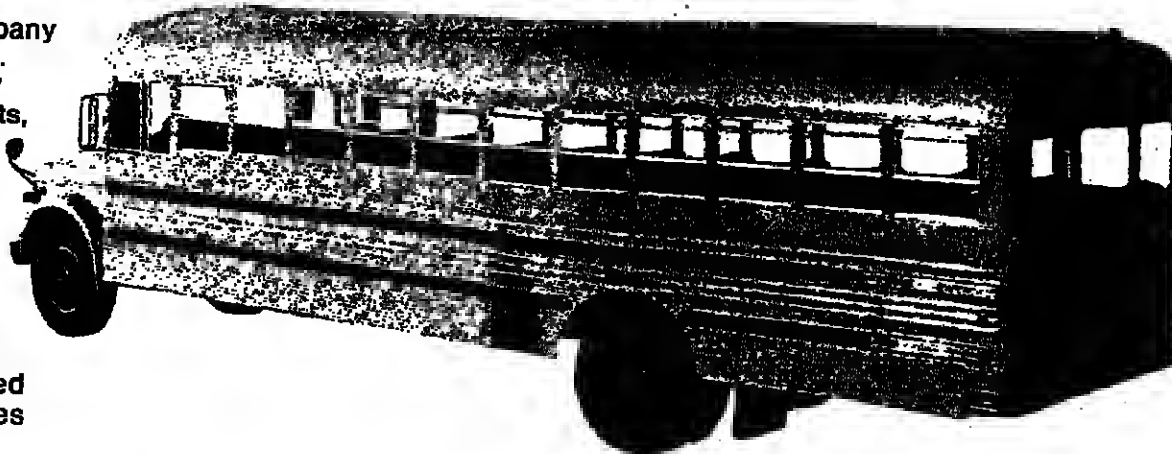
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Jenny's tree climbing feats

By Michael C. O'Rourke
HOLLYWOOD — Jenny, a tuffy and white shepherd-husky owned by Jerry Gerbracht, has eight puppies who are following the family tradition — right up a tree.
Gerbracht, 38, an animal trainer whose dogs work out in parks, wasted no time in teaching the pups some of the tricks made popular by their mother: whose tree climbing feats gained her acclaim in "Ripley's Believe It or Not" (Jenny has climbed as high as 16.5 meters).
Well-known in the San Francisco area, Jenny and Gerbracht have appeared on radio and TV from coast to coast. There was magazine and newspaper coverage and Jenny and master were even involved in a dispute with police.
The case evolved when Jenny was spotted high in a tree by a park patrolman. The patrolman warned Gerbracht he'd be cited if Jenny did any more climbing in his park.
Feeling Jenny was being deprived of one of her pleasures, Gerbracht took the matter to the authorities.
The result: On June 23, 1975, Jenny was granted the world's first (and only) tree climbing permit to a dog by the San Francisco Park Department.
Still, the fair remained in arrears financially. Jenny's abilities netted them \$50, Gerbracht said.
Thinking everything had been accomplished in the Bay Area, Gerbracht packed up his few belongings and Jenny, and set out for Hollywood in search of a role for her in television or the movies.

Although times have continued to be lean financially, Gerbracht is quick to point out Jenny's latest accomplishments in southern California.
Foremost among these was, of course the arrival of Jenny's offspring on Sept. 15. "I was like an expectant father," Gerbracht beamed.
Jimmy, a 6-month-old male German shepherd Siberian husky rescued from a Los Angeles animal shelter by Gerbracht, is the father of the litter — 5 males and 3 females — and he, too, has been a major addition to the Gerbracht clan.
"I taught Jimmy to do most of the tricks that Jenny does in the trees and on playground equipment," Gerbracht said. "He learned fast and is still learning."
"Jimmy and Jenny fell in love at first sight so I bought him from the pound so they could always be together."
Among the litter is a pup Gerbracht calls Jenny 2, to insure that the Jenny legend will be everlasting, Gerbracht said.
One of Jenny's pleasures is romping with North Hollywood Girl Scout Troop #40. She was the first dog to become a permanent member of the troop.
"The girls love her," Gerbracht said. "They wanted to recognize her as a member and since the birth of her pups they've even awarded Jenny her first badge, the Girl Scout child care proficiency merit badge," he said.
While Jenny frolics with her Girl Scout friends, Gerbracht awaits the telephone call that will put his dogs in movies. — (LAT)



Jenny (right), shows the tree climbing feats that gained her fame in Ripley's Believe It or Not.

Citizens vs oil companies

'We had to get the oil out'

By Sandra Blakeslee
LOS ANGELES — Ten years ago, Union Oil Co.'s Daring Platform A blew out in Santa Barbara Channel. Oil began to ooze from drilling-induced cracks in the channel floor at the rate of a thousand gallons an hour.

Alvin Weingand of Get Oil Out (GOO), a Santa Barbara citizens' group that is still waging war against oil companies, recalls: "We went down to the beach soon after the accident. People stood there, looking out, weeping. There was utter destruction to the boats, to the birds ... We decided then and there we had to get the oil out. We had to stop them from totally ruining the beautiful channel."

The damage was indeed hideous. Films and photographs of the day etched a vivid image upon the consciousness of Americans everywhere. Three hundred and twenty kilometers of resort beaches awash in tar, oily crude oil. Tons of oil-soaked hay and straw raked into soggy heaps by exhausted volunteers. Lifeless seapools, shivering, traumatized birds. Suffocated sea lions and poisoned dolphins.

The tenth anniversary of the spill was commemorated one week ago in Santa Barbara at the Arlington Theater. Several speakers talked about what it all meant and how far the U.S. has come after a decade of environmental action.

"The Santa Barbara oil spill has become synonymous with the birth of the environmental movement in the United States," said Paul Reiss, a chief organizer of the event. "The spill touched the consciousness of the American people, triggering a national debate over the issue of whether technological progress must inevitably result in the debasement of nature."

The debate continues in Santa Barbara, as elsewhere. Lois Seidenberg, one of GOO's founders, said proudly that only two more oil platforms have been erected in the channel since 1969, for a total of 12. Two proposed platforms

are tied up in the courts. "There could have been 60 platforms in the channel by now," she said, "if the oil companies had had their way."

Weingand, who served in the California state senate, said he had been assured by the oil companies in 1967, when the oil leases were first granted, that there would be no adverse effects on the environment and that they had the means to clean spills. "They even promised the platforms would be camouflaged," he recalled. "We just believed them. So did the government."

While many environmental issues remain unchanged — air and water pollution, land use, industrial growth, solid wastes, sludge, toxic substances and so on — the fundamental character of the movement has changed in the last decade.

Like a person pushing middle age, it has joined the establishment.

But back in 1969, the nation's youth mobilized a peace movement and an environmental movement, had in hand.

As astronauts sent pictures back to Earth from deep space, a new consciousness arose that the Earth was a spaceship, a fragile blue and white sphere suspended in a void. It needed the love and protection of all beings on the planet, the young people said.

Ecology, recycling, peace and love became shibboleths of the day. Demonstrations were organized around new causes.

By 1972, however, the peace and the environmental movements began to diverge, observed Paul DeFalco, regional director of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in San Francisco. Whereas the counterculture movement eventually ebbed, he said, the environmental movement has endured, but at a price.

"The environmental movement has become bureaucratized," said Dennis Hayes of the Worldwatch Institute, who organized Earth Day in 1970 and Sun Day in 1978.

"The issues are getting more complex," observed David Gardner of the Sierra Club

in San Francisco. "We have gone from major legislative battles to administrative things, to getting the Clean Air Act into effect. Everyone wants clean air, but not everyone wants to spend time working out how many parts per million of a particular pollutant should be allowed in the air."

The Environmental Protection Agency, the governmental symbol of the movement's success, was formed in December of 1970. It employs 10,150 people and spent \$400 million last year.

"Many leaders of the environmental movement have become key working in EPA," DeFalco said. "It has been interesting to watch them become part of the system."

"EPA does an excellent job," said Bill Lewis, executive director of the National Council on Air Pollution. "But it also suffers from the very many bureaucratic suffer. Sometimes some of the regulators lack full understanding of front-line problems. They can, on occasion, require unrealistic results from industry."

The environmental issues are just no longer sexy, many environmentalists said, although Alaska could be the closing chapter in arousing broad public participation.

"Even though people have difficulty grasping details, as opposed to issues," Gardner said, "Polls indicate the public still supports the environmental movement."

Resources for the Future, a Washington, D.C., environmental organization, analyzed poll data on environmental and resource issues from 1970 to 1977. "While pollution didn't become the major concern of the American people in the decade of the seventies (as predicted by President Nixon in his February 1970 environmental message to Congress), it has definitely settled in to become an important, enduring social concern," said Robert Cameron Mitchell of the resources group.

A poll the group conducted in July found that although respondents are deeply concerned

about inflation and taxes, their support for environmental protection is strong and unwavering, and their sympathy with the environmental movement is at a high level, with no sign of backlash, Mitchell said.

Repeatedly, people said they would choose environmental protection over having lower-priced goods and more pollution, he said.

There are also people who consistently oppose the environmental movement. H. Peter Metzger of the Colorado Public Service Co. said recently that "no-growth advocates, environmental zealots, consumerists and public-interest lawyers have penetrated Washington, D.C., to an alarming degree."

"Such anti-energy types," he said, hold 14 White House assistant positions, four assistant attorneys general posts in the Department of Justice and assistant secretariats in half a dozen other top federal agencies.

Calling environmentalists "coercive utopians," Metzger said "they are going to strangle our society by stopping everything with which we need to grow and that is water, coal and nuclear power, land use and new industry."

While not all environmentalists are such bad guys, neither are all businessmen out to decimate the nation's resources. "A genuine environmental ethic is growing in many companies," said Robert Cahn who served on the President's Council on Environmental Quality.

The next few years, observers of the movement said, will bring a continued debate over how the environment is best protected.

In Santa Barbara, the battle of GOO and other groups to keep the channel islands free of more oil rigs and heavy tanker traffic will continue.

A campaign is under way to have town residents send their oil-soaked tennis shoes to the president — to get his attention.

Oil still appears on Santa Barbara beaches. — (LAT)

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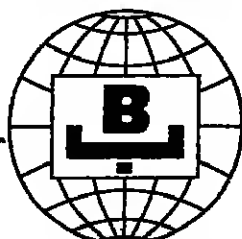
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Pakistan spinners skittle N.Z. to 128-run Test loss

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand, Feb. 7 (R)—Mushtaq Mohammad and Wasim Raja spun Pakistan to a 128-run victory over New Zealand one time final day of the first Test here Wednesday.

New Zealand, resuming at 23 for no wicket in its second innings, was no match for the accomplished leg spinners and were bowled out shortly before tea for 176.

Medium pace bowler Sikander Bakht made the initial breakthrough when he had

Bruce Edgar, a century maker in the first innings, caught at second slip by Sarfraz Nawaz. This was the only wicket to fall in the first hour and New Zealand must have had high hopes of salvaging a draw.

But Mushtaq and Raja came into the attack after drinks and bowled unchanged until the final wicket had fallen. Both spinners exploited the rough patches left by the fast bowlers.

Mushtaq finished with 114 wickets for 59 and Raja took four for 68.5.

Disaster struck for New Zealand in the 20th over with the total at 62 when Mushtaq bowled J.G. Wright and G.P. Howarth with successive balls. Mushtaq continued with three fieldsmen close to the bat and Raja gave Sarfraz a simple catch from the bat of M.G. Burgess, before lunch.

Raja bowled after lunch and enticed catches from J.V. Cooney, W.K. Lees and R.J. Hadlee.

For the second time in the innings Mushtaq took wickets with successive balls. He lured B.P. Bracewell out of his crease for a stumping and S.L. Boock pushed the next ball straight to Mohsin Khan.

Cairns provided the only entertainment of the afternoon for the Christchurch crowd. He batted for 27 minutes, hit one ball from Raja out of the park and hit four more boundaries in his 23 runs before running out of partners.

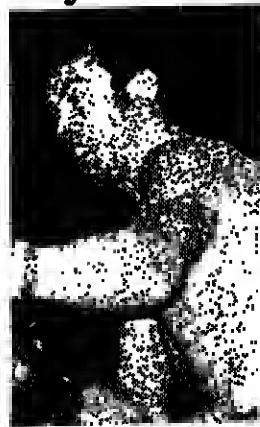
Scores Pakistan: 271 and 323 for six declared; New Zealand: 290 and 176.

S. African ketch first to finish Atlantic race

PUNTA DEL ESTE, Uruguay, Feb. 7 (AP) — Kwa Heri, the South African ketch piloted by John Smedd, sailed into Punta del Este harbor Tuesday night to become the first finisher in the fourth South Atlantic Race from Cape Town.

The 21-meter vessel, largest in the field of 36 yachts that

Minter outpoints plucky Mexican



Alan Minter

LONDON, Feb. 7 (R) — Alan Minter, Britain's European middleweight boxing champion, stayed on course for a world title challenge later this year with an emphatic points win over American Rudy Robles Tuesday night.

Referee Roland Dakin made Minter the winner by a maximum 100 points to 95 which meant he won every round.

The Plucky Robles, a Los Angeles-based Mexican, showed no inclination to back off in a fight that he was always losing and in the fourth round caught Minter with a swinging right which subdued the Briton for the remainder of the fight.

Even so it was a controlled and impressive win by Minter who now hopes to fight Argentine Hugo Corro for the world title.

left Cape Town on Jan. 13, finished the race in an unofficial time of 24 days, 10 hours and 19 minutes to win the Cape of Good Hope Trophy. Spar, a sloop piloted by Rhodesian brothers John and Peter Addison, was reported about 80 kilometers behind and headed for a second place finish early Wednesday.

West-Bix, an 11-meter sloop captained by Bobby Bongers of South Africa, was in fifth place 688 kilometers from here Tuesday morning with a comfortable lead in the overall competition on the basis of handicaps.

Kwa Heri was 11th in the handicap competition among the 32 other yachts that remained in the 7,200-kilometer race.

About 300 yacht enthusiasts and summer vacationers watched from the land's end parking lot as the Kwa Heri and its crew of 14 men sailed across the finish line between two buoys 455 meters off the southern tip of this resort town.

The spectators blew their automobile horns, shined their headlights out to sea and applauded the ketch, which was barely visible in the dusk.

Kwa Heri took the lead from Spar on Jan. 26, the 13th day of the race, and never lost it. In what became a two-vessel contest, the South African ketch slowly put distance on its Rhodesian rival, widening the lead to seven miles a week later.

Then, in a burst of speed that took it 614 kilometers in 24 hours, Kwa Heri went 78 kilometers ahead during the weekend and sailed home with a comfortable lead.

Its expected arrival here was delayed by lazy crosswinds from the southeast that slowed its progress to three knots by late afternoon when Punta del Este harbor was in sight.

Most of the yachts are owned by South Africans or Rhodesians.

Rain washes out India Test play

KANPUR, India, Feb. 7 (R) — Rain ruled out play on the fifth day of the sixth and final Test between India and the West Indies here Wednesday.

The match ends Thursday. Scores India: 644 for seven declared West Indies: 373 for four.

Cavs register TKO over Nets

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (AP) — The Cleveland Cavaliers scored a technical knockout over the New Jersey Nets Tuesday night as John Lambert pulled down 14 of his career-high 22 rebounds in the second quarter while Campy Russell scored 13 of his game-high 19 points in the third period, and Jim Chones sparked with his all-round play as Cleveland surged from a 36-53 halftime deficit to a 92-73 lead.

Two baskets by Russell put Cleveland on top of stay 65-62 early in the third period and then came the TKO — the Nets were hit with three quick technical fouls, one on Bernard King, one on coach Kevin Loughery and one on Jan van Breda Kolff. Bingo Smith hit all three technicals for a six-point Cleveland lead and the 119-100 rout was on.



OVERWEIGHT FANATICS: Sparring neither age nor youth, joggers pound American far more. According to the Perrier survey, the vast majority do not lose weight or sleep any better.

Fitness replacing sport as American national mania

By Will Grimsley

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (AP) — With the wave of astronomical salaries paid to American athletes in big-time competitive sports, one would imagine that most parents would be pushing their kids toward that million-dollar dream.

"Forget the books, Johnny. Grab that bat and ball and go out and play with the boys," could be the refrain in

every American household.

Not so, according to a national study of physical fitness habits and attitudes. Familiar American sports such as football, boxing and wrestling may be on the decline. The trend is toward such less combative exercise as swimming, tennis, jogging, bicycling and gymnastics.

While 93 per cent of the parents surveyed feel it is vital

that their sons and daughters stay in top physical shape, "parents are least enthusiastic about their children working to become a sports star," the survey said. "Less than one in four feels it is important that their sons and daughters move in this direction."

The Perrier Survey of Fitness in America, conducted by Louis Harris and Associates, Inc., was released Wednesday. It produced some interesting revelations and punctured some myths about the advantages and perils of exercise.

The organization surveyed 1,100 adults and a sample of 180 runners, incorporating its findings in a 139-page report.

Conducting the press conference were Arizona Governor Jerry Apodaca, chairman of the President's Council on Physical Fitness, Dr. Robert

Arnot, director of sports medicine for the U.S. Winter Olympics Team, Donna Devarona, Olympic gold medal swimmer, Louis Harris, the pollster, and Bruce Nevins, president of Perrier-Great Waters of France Inc.

The Perrier survey said the pursuit of physical fitness had become a national mania with 90 million participants—a growth since 1961 from 24 per cent to 59 per cent of the adult population.

The fastest growing activities, according to the report, are running and calisthenics, with more than 17 million runners and 21 million doing physical jerks. Walking continues to be the most popular exercise, drawing 34 million. There are 26 million swimmers, 20 million cyclists, 20 million bowlers and 14 million tennis players.

Only 15 per cent of sporting adults are "high activities," indulging in 306 minutes or more a week of vigorous exercise, the survey states.

The study contradicts many popular and long-held beliefs with these findings:

—The vast majority of those who take up sports activity do not lose weight.

—Active people are more likely to smoke than the non-active.

—Parents are as anxious for their daughters to participate as their sons.

—Despite the widespread medical belief that exercise helps prevent heart attacks, nearly a third of those who do not participate fear that too much exercise can enlarge the heart.

—Non-active people are inclined to consider joggers and weightlifters as fanatics.

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Arum signs up 5 challengers for Ali spectacular

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Feb. 7 (AP) — Top Rank Inc. has signed five challengers for Muhammad Ali's World Boxing Association heavyweight boxing title, promoter Bob Arum said Tuesday.

Arum confirmed he had signed South African fighters Kallie Knoetze and Gerrie Coetzee during the past two days.

Depending on WBA approval, Arum said that Knoetze, the no. 2-ranked WBA challenger would fight American Leon Spinks, while Coetzee would fight the winner of the John Tate-Duane Bobick match scheduled for Feb. 17 in Indianapolis. Tate and Bobick are Americans.

Ali, he said, was to host a "retirement banquet" as champion, with an expected 1,500 guests, and then act as commentator for the fights. He stands to make over \$1 million for taking part.

"Ali has meant so much to boxing, that this is appropriate," he added.



PITSTOP: Driver Rolf Stommelen takes off his racing helmet after leaving his Porsche Turbo during a pit stop in the 24-hour Daytona endurance race Saturday. His team commanded the lead into Saturday night but was overtaken Sunday by the other Porsche of Hurley Haywood and Danny Ongais.

Keegan says he's over the Hamburg blues

LONDON, Feb. 7 (R) — Kevin Keegan, European Footballer of the Year, admitted on Wednesday that his first months with West German club SV Hamburg had been a most difficult year of his life. Keegan left England's English League Division Two Luton 0, Stoke 0, Sheffield Utd. 1, Fulham 1, Division Three Rotherham 2, Southend 1, Sheffield Wed. vs Hull, Division Four Walsall 2, Blackpool 1, Division Four Middlesbrough 2, Reading 2, Mansley 0, Scunthorpe 0, Burnesmouth 3, Port Vale 1, Walsford 0, Wigan 0, Wexham 0, Hereford 0.

European champion Liverpool in 1977 to seek fame and fortune at Hamburg but there were times when he thought he had made a terrible mistake. "Playing outside your own country makes or breaks a player," said Keegan. "I don't think it matters how much ability you have. In the end it depends on how strong your character is. There were times when I wanted to quit but I knew I had to keep battling through."

"The fans in Hamburg have been terrific," Keegan said. "I honestly think if it had not been for their tremendous support I would not have stayed."

Keegan also praised Hamburg's manager Guenter Netzer, a former West German international.

"Netzer understood the problems I was having adjusting to a new style of play and a new language. He encouraged me and now Hamburg are poised to win the West Ger-

man championship this season," Keegan explained. Keegan, in England to play for his country Wednesday in a vital European Championship Group One match against Northern Ireland, said he was sure that playing in West German championship Liverpool in 1977. I would have been embarrassed if I had won that year. I don't think I played well."

Keegan recently signed a new contract with Hamburg and said he had no plans to return to English League soccer.

"I said when I left that the only team I would come back to would be Liverpool. They are the best team in Britain."

Keegan has been linked with Spain's Real Madrid who were prepared to offer over one million pounds (\$2 million) for him.

"I shall be 28 next week and there are things in life more important than money," Keegan said. "My wife and family are happy in West Germany and the club allows my release to play for England which is important. I can't say I will never move but at the moment I am perfectly happy."



Kevin Keegan

many had improved his international performances. "I was second in the European Footballer of the Year poll after Liverpool won the

By David Smith
JEDDAH, Feb. 7 — With the Saudi national side left for a six-week training period in France and Spain to prepare for the Gulf Games in Baghdad, the Premier Division matches are over until after the Games in April.

The division is poised in an interesting position with the two Riyadh sides, Al-Hilal and Al-Nasr in the leading places. Hilal has a one-point advantage over Nasr, while Nasr has the edge in goal difference by the slender margin of 21 to 20.

The division's crucial match is the clash between the two on April 26th.

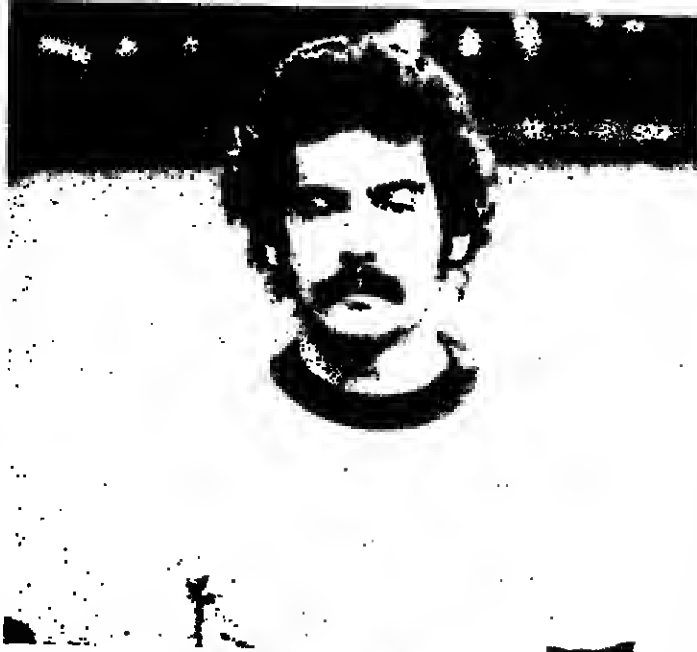
Until then, both sides should defeat Al-Riyadh in Riyadh, while Hilal should be able to pick up both points in its home match with Dammam's Al-Kadasia. Nasr has an awkward match on April 20 when it visits Jeddah to take on Mecca's Al-Wehda. Wehda is a very difficult side to beat and it has proved it can get results with 1-1 draws against both Hilal and Nasr in recent weeks. Tunisian striker Shagrun could cause the Nasr defense a few problems if he is given the backup from his fellow forwards and from Moroccan midfielder player Bakkar.

It seems likely, then, that Hilal will go into the Nasr match with a one or two-point advantage, so Nasr must win everything will hinge on the final matches, Nasr against the reigning champion Al-Ahli in Riyadh and Hilal against Al-Ittihad in Jeddah, and goal difference could yet prove vital in deciding the champion.

Hilal and Nasr have similar strengths and weaknesses, yet a look at the sides shows different methods of coaching. Nasr, coached by Lou Brosche, plays a European style of fast direct football, while Hilal, coached by Brazilian Mario Zagato, emphasize the South American manner of building up carefully and trying to open up the defense before launching the attack.

Man for man, there is little to choose between the teams. Hilal has a slight edge in goal where Saudi international keeper Ibrahim Younsif is one of the few top-class goalkeepers in the Kingdom.

Both sides have strong power-



Rivelino: An inspiration

ful defenders — Nasr with Saudi skipper Towhid Migen at the heart of the back four, and Hilal with Bashier Al-Ghol and Saleh Al-Naima leaving little past them. Despite the individual solidity, both defense-

in the country, and each has scored goals regularly this season.

The decisive difference between the sides is the important midfield area. Nasr has a creative player in Younsif Khamis and a dangerous deep-lying winger in Abdullah Abdrabbo, but overall the Nasr midfield lacks cohesion and frequently it seems to forget the area and concentrate on getting the ball straight up to the forwards.

Hilal, in contrast has a solid midfield lineup which helps lack cohesion and frequently front. Rivelino of course is a major influence with his devastating passing and shooting, but Hilal has other sources of inspiration. Othman Marzooq and Al-Umda are commanding figures who put in a lot of work, picking up loose balls in midfield and setting up chances for Rivelino and the front runners.

The advantage in this crucial area may just give Hilal the edge over Nasr, but with forwards of the quality of Majid, Sultan, Aziza and Imam a flash of inspiration on the day can bring about the goal which could decide the title.

Khobar tennis tourney opens today

By Geoff Gardner

DHAHRAN, Feb. 7: With 325 players, most of them entered in more than one event, the 1979 Khobar Tennis Tournament will be the largest ever held in the Eastern Province.

In all, the draw will be 683 players grouped in 31 flights in the five events: mixed doubles, men's and women's doubles, and men's and women's singles. The largest, men's singles, has 165 players graded in ten flights according to ability.

Play begins Thursday with mixed doubles and continues Friday. Men's and women's doubles are set for the weekend of Feb. 15-16; women's singles are scheduled for Feb. 22-23 and men's singles, cap the tournament on Mar. 1-2. Finals will be played to con-

clude weekend's matches at the University of Petroleum and Minerals here.

First flight men's singles should attract the most attention since first prize is two tickets on British Airways to Seychelles. Winners of all other flights will receive trophies valued at SR 12,000 by the tournament director and referee, Fred Benson.

The draw is far larger than last year, and the tournament has grown greatly since its birth ten years ago.

"Last year there were about 200 participants," Benson said. "Interest has increased this year because of the Eastern Province Tennis League and the growth of the expatriate population."

The League was founded last year to offer competition for the students at UPM and

now comprises 156 players.

The first tournament was organized by Pan American Airways, the United States Military Mission, the American Consulate General and the College of Petroleum and Minerals. As it then was, to give non-Arameo players a chance to play in a tournament. Only 24 players competed on a single court at the American Consulate General.

Top seeds in the first flights of each event this year are David and Lesley Bosch in mixed doubles, June Brandie and Pat Aubrey in women's doubles, Bosch and Phil Dunne in men's doubles, Aubrey in women's singles, and Bosch in men's singles.

All the top seeds except Leslie Bosch won last year.

The first mixed doubles event begins at 8 a.m. Thursday.

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...But Blumenthal bullish

Carter's advisers see '79 a tough year

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (R) — 1979 will be a tough year for Americans and it will be months before attempts to hold down inflation and prices have any effect, two of President Carter's economic advisers have said.

But two other top aides of



U.S. Secretary of the Council of Economic Advisers, Michael Blumenthal, said he did not believe the economy would not move into a recession, despite predictions by some economists.

The gloom came from Alfred Kaan, who is spearheading the fight against inflation

as chairman of the Council on Wage and Price Stability, and his deputy, Barry Bosworth.

Asked by a House of Representatives Banking Subcommittee when inflation would slacken, Kahn said Thursday: "Surely not before three months. There is some bad news ahead."

He also said he was baffled by the continuing rise in food prices, which shot up 12 per cent last year and were a major factor in the nine per cent inflation rate.

Tough year
Bosworth said: "The cost of basic necessities, which have been going up very rapidly in the past year, will continue. It will be a tough year ... in 1979."

Treasury Secretary Blumenthal, who testified before the Senate Finance Committee, said he did not believe the economy would not move into a recession, despite predictions by some economists.

He said tight fiscal and monetary policies would mean a decline in the real annual rate of economic growth but inflation would be down to 7.5 per cent by the end of the year.

Schultz, who appeared before the Senate Budget Committee, said economic growth would slow moderately. He also predicted inflation would drop significantly, to below seven per cent in the final quarter of this year, without a recession.

Soviet Union buying more wheat from U.S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP) — The Soviet Union has bought additional wheat and corn from the United States for delivery this year, the U.S. Agriculture Department has said.

Sales reported to the department by private U.S. exporters included 450,000 metric tons of corn and 160,000 metric tons of wheat, officials said Tuesday.

Total sales to the Soviet Union so far under a long-term agreement include about 2.7 million metric tons of corn and nearly 1.4 million metric

tons of wheat, including the latest transactions.

A metric ton 2,205 pounds and is equal to 39.4 bushels of corn or 36.7 bushels of wheat.

The grain is for delivery in the year that will end Sept. 30, the third year of the agreement. It calls for the Soviet Union to buy a minimum of six million metric tons of U.S. wheat and corn combined each year.

In the year ending Sept. 30, sales totaled 14.8 million metric tons of wheat and corn.



FRANCE: Children march through a street of Longwy, eastern France this week to protest massive layoffs and threatened mill closures in the industrial basin of north-eastern France.—(AP wirephoto)

New talks planned

EEC farming dispute drags on

BRUSSELS, Feb. 7 (R) — Common Market farm ministers have abandoned their attempt to solve the agricultural dispute holding up the official start of the European Monetary System (EMS) but agreed to try again next week, EEC officials said.

After two days of detailed talks the nine ministers made no visible progress on the disagreement between France and West Germany over phasing out the Monetary Compensation Amounts (MCAs) — border taxes and subsidies used in EEC farm trade.

British Farm Minister John Silkin told journalists Tuesday the ministers would probably discover when they met again on Feb. 72 that no agreement was possible between France and Germany.

The monetary system, which was to begin on Jan. 1, is designed to shield the community's trade from the damaging effects of unstable exchange rates.

It has fallen foul of the nine-year-old MCA scheme, designed to do the same thing

but only for farmers.

The EEC officials said no decisions were taken Thursday on proposals by the EEC Commission to devalue the British, French and Italian "green" currencies from Feb. 19.

"Green" currencies are the artificial rates used to translate EEC guaranteed farm prices into national currencies. The devaluation would raise the prices for farmers in these three countries.

France to aid Sudan power project

PARIS, Feb. 7 (R) — France has signed an aid agreement worth about 100 million francs (\$23 million) to finance a joint Franco-British electrification project in Sudan, the foreign ministry has said. The deal was signed during an official visit to Khartoum by Foreign Ministry Secretary of State Olivier Stirn last week.

China admits farming plan failed

PEKING, Feb. 7 (R) — China has published new guidelines for farm mechanization, tacitly admitting that its ambitious plan to achieve widespread basic mechanization by 1980 was unattainable.

Australia aide arrives in Bahrain

BAHRAIN, Feb. 7 (R) — Australian Deputy Premier and Trade and Resources Minister Doug Anthony arrived here Tuesday on a four-day visit for talks to promote trade relations between Australia and Bahrain.

China has links with 828 banks

TOKYO, Feb. 7 (AP) — The Bank of China has established correspondent relations with 828 banks and their 2,277 branches in 139 foreign countries and regions, Peking's official Hsinhua news agency reported Wednesday.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Opening Wednesday	SAMA rate	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.37	3.38	3.36
Pound Sterling	6.78	6.76	6.80
Deutsche Mark	1.83 (100)	182.00	183.00
Swiss F	2.03 (100)	202.00	200.16
French F	0.80 (100)	79.25	79.40
Italian Lira (1000)	—	4.00	4.05
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	108.50	108.25
Syrian Lira (100)	—	80.00	86.65
Egyptian Pound	—	4.60	4.82
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.30	12.33
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.35	11.35
Emirate Dirham (100)	—	87.00	87.80
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	87.00	87.80
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.70	8.70
Iranian Riyal (100)	—	46.50	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	9.40	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	74.00	—
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	79.00	88.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	40.41
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	34.30
Gold kg	—	27,300	—
10 Tolas bar	—	3,200	—
Silver kg bar	—	700	—
Japanese yen (100)	1.72	—	—
Canadian dollar	2.82	—	—
Belgian franc (10)	1.16	—	—
Dutch guilder	1.70	—	—
Italian Lira (100)	0.40	—	—

SAMA rates announced by the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency, based on average rates on the London money market and the official price of the U.S. dollar.

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By 94 cents a barrel

Oman increases price of crude

MUSCAT, Feb. 7 (R) — Oman has increased the price of its oil by 94 cents a barrel backdated to Jan. 1, government sources said Wednesday.

They said the new price of a barrel of Omani crude was now \$13.94 a barrel compared with \$13 a barrel at the end of 1978.

The increase, above five per cent rise for the first quarter of 1979 fixed by OPEC ministers in December, was to compensate for the growing disparity between heavy and light crude prices, the sources added.

In its meeting in Abu Dhabi, OPEC decided to increase its 1979 oil prices by 14.5 per cent spread over quarterly instalments.

The sources said further quarterly increases of Omani

oil would be decided later.

Last year, Oman produced 152,16,172 tons of crude.

In another development, it was reported that Oman will launch a second five-year economic development plan in 1981 shortly after the completion of the current five-year plan.

The official newspaper "Oman" said the new plan will concentrate on developing resources other than oil, such as agriculture and fisheries.

save energy and develop nuclear power.

Informed sources said the stoppage of oil supplies from Iran played a part in the government's decision.

Nine per cent of France's oil imports used to come from Iran, the sources said, but despite this small percentage the loss was being felt.

He told reporters after a ministerial meeting Tuesday that the government planned to research and exploit new oil sources and increase efforts to

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
* Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs	Construction of lavatory and sunshade for market in Al-Misazillah village, lavatory in Al-Hila village and sunshade and market in Al-Jafr village, Al-Ahsa Temporary asphalt of some roads under Maza' himah municipality	94-98/99	500	Mar. 26
* " " "	Building of lavatory in Al-Ghatghat village, Maza' himah	95-98/99	800	Mar. 27
* " " "	Fencing of Al-Khissa graveyard under Qalwah municipality	96-98/99	300	Mar. 31
* Islamic University, Medina	Extensions to the building of Sharia College	26-96/97	150	Apr. 1
* Directorate of Education, Qassim	Supply of educational aids	1-99	200	Feb. 12
		xx	50	Feb. 19



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SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF 7TH FEBRUARY 1979.

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HOLCOR I	—	—	—
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SEATRAN LONDON	—	—	—
KATHLEEN	—	—	—
3-Vessels Expected to Arrive With in Next 24 Hours	—	—	—
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LAURA	—	—	—
LONDON BARON	—	—	—
AGIOS GEORGIS	—	—	—
BLUE OCEAN	—	—	—
ANTONIO II	—	—	—
MINI LASS	—	—	—
ESPRESSO TOSCANIA	—	—	—
PARHA	—	—	—
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JOLLY BLUE	—	—	—
ANDREAS 'U'	—	—	—
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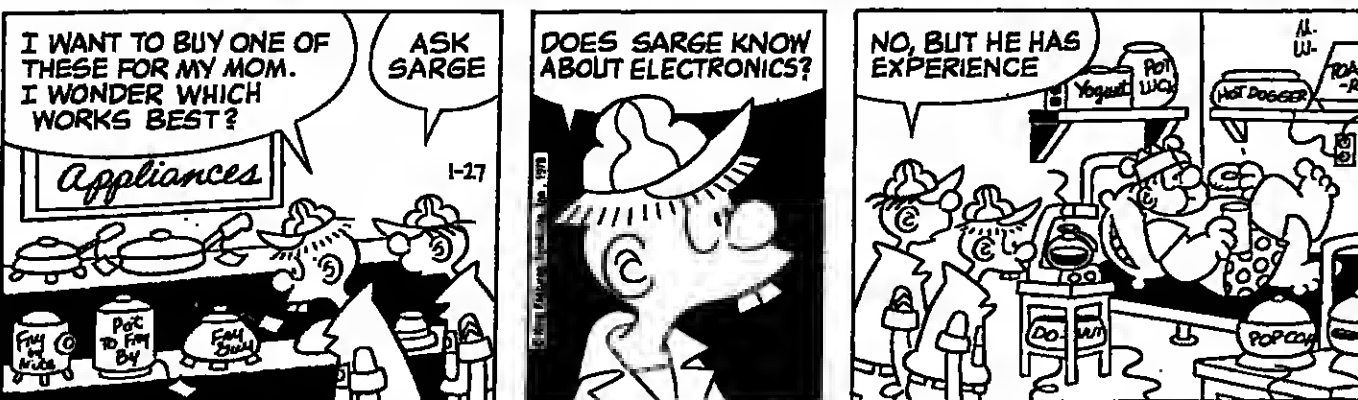


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BECAUSE I'VE SEEN HIM

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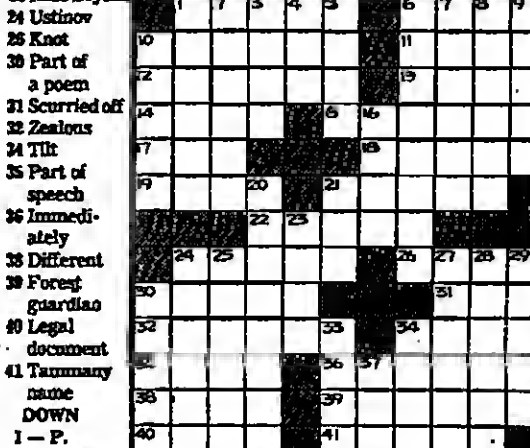


'IF THEY DO HAVE WARS, THEY'RE AWFUL QUIET ABOUT IT, JOEY.'

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword by THOMAS JOSEPH

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| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 1 Gogo girl's habit | 1 Attack |
| 2 Nuisance | 2 Bustle |
| 3 Card game | 3 Jean fan |
| 4 Athena's title | 4 Unusual person |
| 5 Bring on | 5 Factious |
| 6 Banister | 6 Astrolady |
| 7 Pseudologist | 7 Fisherman |
| 8 Eye part | 8 Ankle-length robe |
| 9 President | 9 Girl: Fr. |
| 10 Eclat | 10 Check copy |
| 11 Hebrew letter | 11 Prospered |
| 12 Cheekplate | 12 Court |
| 13 Miss Bryant | 13 Commune |
| 14 Ustinov | 14 Sign of Las Vegas |
| 15 Knot | 15 Prison release |
| 16 Part of a poem | 16 Bustle |
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| 18 Zealous | 18 New Jersey |
| 19 Tib | 19 City |
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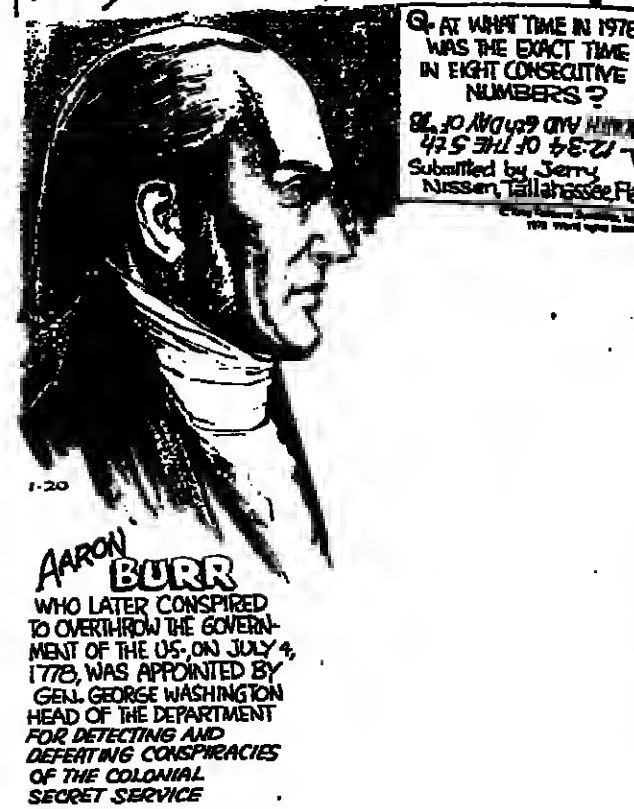


DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXE is LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two A's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES
NQP JEUP CP ME, NQP
JEUP CP RSW ME, NQP JEUP
AFBV CP SUP, NQP JEUP GPT.
HFUP CP QSIQ - QSKGTNN
Yesterday's Cryptophone: THE BEST EDUCATION IN THE WORLD IS THAT GOT BY STRUGGLING TO GET A LIVING. - WENDELL PHILLIPS

Believe It or Not!



Contract Bridge B. Jay Becker

The Art of Deception

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH: ♠ J 3, ♥ 9 2, ♦ A Q J 9 2, ♣ Q J 10 6. EAST: ♠ A 7 6, ♥ A J 6 5, ♦ K 4, ♣ 7 4 2. The bidding: South West North East 1 NT Pass 3 NT Pass Pass Pass. Opening lead - four of hearts. There are times when a player can accomplish by guile what he cannot accomplish by routine play. For a good example of how an imaginative declarer can, sometimes outwit the defense, consider this deal where West led the four of hearts against three notrump. East was the opening lead with the ace of hearts, of which South played his queen. It is hard to blame East for thinking that his partner had led a heart from the 10-8-7-4-3 and that declarer therefore had the K-Q. (South, however, was in good position to know that West's four of hearts lead had indicated a four-card suit.) Accordingly, East returned the jack of hearts at trick two, was by declarer with the king. South then took a diamond finesse that lost to East's king, but the most East could do at this point was return a heart to hold declarer to nine tricks. Now let's go back to trick one and have declarer play the three of hearts on East's ace. In that case, if we assume that East is a competent defender, he would shift to the king of spades at trick two and eventually defeat the contract. The defenders would score three spades, a heart and a diamond. On what basis can East find the spade shift? Because he would know that South was sure to have the K-Q of hearts for his 15-10-15 point one notrump bid, and that they were still in declarer's hand after he had played the three of hearts on the ace. East's only real hope, therefore, would be to shift his attack to spades at trick two and hope to find South with only one stopper in that suit. Declarer would be unable to prevail against this attack from a new quarter and, sooner or later, he would find himself going down one.

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ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES

THURSDAY	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	5:41	6:59	12:42	3:56	6:17	7:47
Medina	5:44	7:04	12:43	3:54	6:14	7:44
Nejd	5:11	6:32	12:09	3:21	5:42	7:12

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3:00 NCAA Football	Arkansas Vs. Texas 10/21/78
5:34 Wide World Of Sports	World Sprint Speed Skating
6:24 N. Drew/Hardy Boys	Myster Of Hollywood
7:20 Mash	The Light That Failed
7:45 Starsky & Hutch	Iron Mike
8:31 Barney Miller	The Hostage
8:56 Command Performance	Diary Of A Mad Housewife

WEATHER

Rainfall expected in the Northern Province along with a fall in temperature. Low clouds in the Western Province leading to intermittent rainstorms. Winds will be mostly southerly at moderate speed, raising dust and sand in most parts of the Kingdom, especially the northern areas where visibility will be reduced. Sea conditions in territorial waters will be moderate in the Red Sea and calm to moderate in the Gulf. Wednesday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	31	22	Hail	22	08
Jeddah	29	16	Tabuk	27	07
Riyadh	25	16	Bisha	27	12
Dhahran	25	16	Yanbu	27	16
Medina	26	13	K. Mesheir	20	12
Taif	24	12	Abha	20	08

SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission	Evening Transmission
1:00 Opening	10:00 Opening
1:01 The Holy Quran	10:01 The Holy Quran
1:05 Gams of Guidance	10:05 Message to the Faithful
1:10 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle	10:10 Light Music
1:15 S.A. Historical Notes	10:15 NEWS
1:30 Off the Record	10:25 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle
2:00 Your Choice	10:30 Music Worldwide
2:30 Oo Islam	11:00 Champions of Solidarity
2:40 Islam the Divine Truth	11:10 Press Review
2:55 Music	11:15 The Sixties
3:00 NEWS	11:45 The World of Guitar
3:10 Press Review	12:00 Islamic Contributions
3:15 Music	12:15 The Songwriters
3:20 My Music	12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
3:50 Close Down	12:59 Close Down

VOA

P.M.	10:05 Opinion: Analyses
8:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion: Analyses	10:30 VOA Magazine: America; Science; Cultural; Leisure
8:30 News Summary	11:00 Special English: News
9:00 Special English: News; Feature. The Making of a Nation	11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)
9:30 News Summary	
10:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities	

BBC

Morning Transmission	4:30 The Treasure's Yours
8:00 World News	5:15 Report on Religion
8:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary	6:00 Radio Newsweek
8:30 Sarah Ward	6:15 Outlook
8:45 World Today	7:00 World News
9:00 Newsdesk	7:15 Sherlock Holmes
9:30 Opera Star	7:45 World Today
10:00 World News	8:00 World News
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary	8:09 Books and Writers
10:30 Sarah Ward	8:30 Take One
10:45 Something to Show You	8:45 Sports Round-up
11:00 World News	9:00 World News
11:09 Reflections	9:09 News about Britain
11:15 Piano Style	9:15 Radio Newsworld
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978	9:30 Farming World
12:00 World News	10:00 Outlook News Summary
12:09 British Press Review	10:30 Stock Market Report
12:15 World Today	10:45 Look Ahead
12:30 Financial News	10:45 Ulster in Focus
12:40 Look Ahead	11:00 World News
12:45 The Tooy Myall Request Show	11:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary
1:15 Ulster in Focus	11:30 The Treasure's Yours
1:30 Discovery	Midnight Transmission
2:00 World News	12:15 Talkabout
2:09 News about Britain	12:45 Nature Notebook
2:15 Alphabet of Musical Curios	1:00 World News
2:30 Sports International	1:09 World Today
2:40 Radio Newsworld	1:25 Financial News
3:15 Promenade Concert	1:35 Book Choice
3:45 Sports Round-up	1:40 Reflections
4:00 World News	1:45 Sports Round-up
4:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary	2:00 World News
	2:09 Commentary
	2:15 The Face of England

Your Individual Horoscope

FRANCES DRAKE
FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1978

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) ♈
Accept the opportunity to attend a social function with a loved one, but first make sure necessary chores are out of the way. Close allies are cooperative.

Taurus (Apr. 20 to May 20) ♉
Seek the approval of higher-ups re changes in your work schedule. You'll find more efficient methods for dealing with daily routine.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) ♊
Buy essential items for the household, then save time for attendance at a cultural event with a close one. Creative activities go well.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) ♋
Get estimates and make necessary inquiries re home repairs. Be supportive, if close ones or relatives are having problems. Show that you care.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) ♌
Though you're in the mood for solitude, take advantage of this favorable time for getting your ideas across to others, especially to loved ones.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) ♍
Devote a special effort to your work now and your efforts will pay off in cash either now or in the near future. Friends are supportive.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎
Consult with a superior about a private matter. Compliments you receive from another have you thinking about further changes to your lifestyle.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏
Think over in private what a friend or family member has to say about your personality. You'll gain some important insights into yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐
Take an active role in community affairs. Local visits could lead to new friendships. Business may be unexciting but profitable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) ♑
Present your year-making ideas to those at the top and watch both your status and your financial potential increase. Listen to a close one's advice.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) ♒
Attention to duty is the best way to progress now. Get in touch with those at a distance and make travel plans now! Seek new horizons.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) ♓
A note of secrecy aids you in business now. Make a date with an old friend. Save some time for that good book you want to read.

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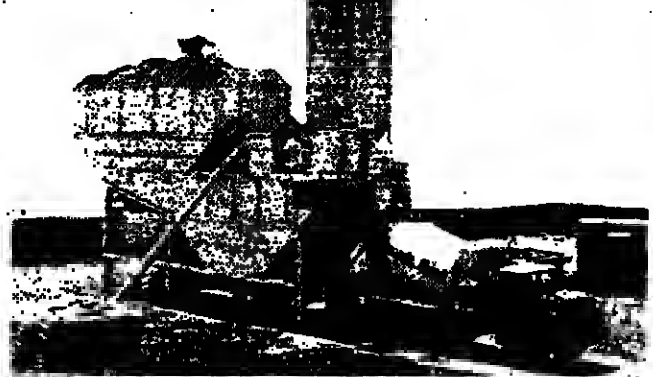
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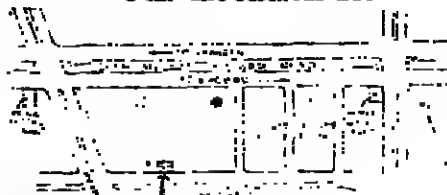
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Late News

Teng suggests possibility of 'action' against Vietnam

TOKYO, Feb. 7 (R)—Chinese Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping said Wednesday China might take action against Vietnam for its alleged interference in Cambodia, an aide of former Japanese Premier Kakuei Tanaka reported.

Teng, who discussed the situation in Indochina during a meeting with Tanaka, was quoted as saying invaders had to be punished "otherwise a chain reaction will be caused."

Tanaka's secretary quoted him as saying "China is think-

ing of taking an action, even by running a certain risk, but it will be a restricted, limited and minimum one."

Teng stressed that when China took such action it would do so "after thinking it over and over."

Former Chief Cabinet Secretary Shintaro Abe, who attended a meeting between Teng and former Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda this afternoon, also said that he had a strong impression that China was determined to take "a re-

solute action" over Vietnam. United States State Department officials have said China has massed a large concentration of troops near the border with Vietnam.

And a small Soviet naval force is apparently cruising in the Gulf of Tonkin off Vietnam in what American intelligence analysts regard as a minor Russian demonstration of support for Hanoi against China.

Washington sources said Wednesday the Soviet force includes a frigate, which they described as a "minor combatant ship" and four or five non-fighting support vessels. This "show the Red Flag" operation has been under way for about two weeks.

Some American intelligence analysts have speculated the ships might make a port call in Danang, on the coast of what used to be South Vietnam, as a visible gesture of support for Vietnam. So far this has apparently not happened.

According to intelligence sources, the Chinese have been supplying the Cambodian forces, now fighting a guerrilla war against the Vietnamese after Hanoi's army overran most of the country.

Cold thins ranks

Washington, Feb. 7 (AP)—Cold, and unsavory after sleeping in cars or camps, farmers aimed their protest Wednesday at Congress, where the secretary of agriculture planned to deliver an upbeat message about prosperity on America's farms.

"The state of American agriculture is substantially better than it was a year ago," Secretary Bob Bergland said in prepared remarks that sharply disputed the views of 3,500 protesting grain and cotton farmers, squeezed between low prices for crops and high prices for fertilizer, machinery, fuel

Farmers take protest to Capitol Hill

and land.

"In virtually every respect," Bergland said, "1978 was a good year for the American farmer."

His testimony was prepared for delivery before the House Agriculture Committee—and an audience of 1,400 critical farm militants, who say they fear losing their land back home if they lose their case in Washington.

Heavy security measures were taken to protect Bergland in the aftermath of his hard-nosed rejection of the farmers' demand for new laws to restore their income.



TOKYO: Japanese Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira welcomes Chinese Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping Wednesday. Also Wednesday Teng met former Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka, an aide of whom reported Teng's talking of 'action' against Vietnam for its invasion of Cambodia. (AP wirephoto)

First big storm of winter

Snow shivers U.S. northeast

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (AP)—The first major snowstorm of the winter in America's northeast hit big cities Wednesday, snarling rush-hour traffic, disrupting air travel and closing schools.

The storm also spread snow, freezing drizzle, rain and sleet

from Oklahoma through the Carolinas into the Virginias and the lower Ohio Valley.

Washington's National Airport was closed as accumulations reached two to three inches by the start of the morning rush hour. Up to 12 inches were expected in the Virginia and Maryland suburbs by late afternoon before the snow turns to sleet or freezing rain.

Snow was falling over most of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and in New York City.

Up to seven inches had already blanketed Virginia and parts of Tennessee, closing schools in most areas.

The storm also dropped heavy snow in central Arkansas and the mountains of the Carolinas, and snow warnings were issued for parts of Oklahoma.

A wet winter storm brought extensive power cuts to much of South Carolina and North

Georgia Tuesday, forcing some schools to close.

Freezing rain mixed with sleet was reported Wednesday in eastern Tennessee and northern Georgia and parts of the Carolinas.

U.K.'s most wanted man reported nabbed in Rome

ROME, Feb. 7 (AP)—A 28-year-old man arrested at Rome's Leonardo da Vinci Airport Jan. 30 on arms possession charges has been identified as "Joe the Greek," badly wanted for a series of armed robberies and attempted murders in London, Rome police sources say.

In London, Scotland Yard said Joe the Greek was arrested after flying into Rome under an assumed name.

Botha vows to quit if scandal reaches Pretoria's cabinet

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 7 (R)—South African Prime Minister Pieter Botha said Wednesday he would resign and call an election if he or any cabinet member were found to have known about an Information Department scandal involving the misuse of government funds.

He made the statement in parliament where the opposition has accused his government of still trying to cover up facts about a huge misuse of public money.

Botha called on the opposition to give any evidence it had to a commission headed by Judge Rudolf Erasmus, which is investigating the scandal arising out of the secret activities of the now-defunct Information Department.

If the commission found that he or any of his ministers knew that state money was being misappropriated "then I will resign and go to the court," he said.

Former Information Minister Connie Mulder resigned from the cabinet after an inquiry accused him of negligence in allowing subordinates to spend millions of rand to improve South Africa's image abroad.

Botha listed steps he has taken after the affair had been made public, including investigations of the scandal and recovery of money paid out by the department.

He said he had been asked why wrong doers had not been punished. But the priority was to ensure the state suffered no further loss.

Once the Erasmus commission had completed its work — it is due to report by the end of May — and if there were grounds for prosecution, the police would conduct investigations, he said.

"I as prime minister am not the attorney-general," Botha added. "I am not a police officer. I do not find people guilty or not guilty."

Plea to jail Menten to be heard May 7

THE HAGUE, Feb. 7 (R)—The Dutch Supreme Court will meet on May 7 to consider an appeal by the public prosecutor against a lower court decision to free alleged war criminal Pieter Menten. The Justice Ministry said Wednesday.

A Hague court ruled last Dec. 4 that Menten, 79, a millionaire art collector, could no longer be prosecuted for his wartime massacre of Poles because of a promise of immunity given in 1952.

An official said the appeal hearing next month would be only one day. The Supreme Court does not hear witness when dealing with appeals and can only decide whether the reasons for the Hague chamber's ruling were legally sound.

In December 1977 a court in Amsterdam jailed Menten for 15 years for his role in the killing in 1941 of between 20 and 30 Poles, mostly Jews, while he was working for the Nazis in Poland as an interpreter.

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Armed

Hadi refused to say how many officers had joined Khumeini or from which branch of service they came. He claimed "the movement" had received a message of support from military officers in the Gulf city of Bandar Abbas, who had proclaimed a week of mourning for those killed in anti-Shah violence in Tehran.

He also said employees of the foreign ministry, staging a

sit-in to protest the service of Ardesbir Zahedi as ambassador to the United States, had received telegrams of support from their colleagues at Iranian embassies in Canada and the United Nations and from the consulate in Houston, Texas.

Foreign Minister Ahmad Mir-Fendereski told Pars News Agency on Tuesday that Zahedi, a former son-in-law of the

Shah, had been terminated as ambassador. But the U.S. State Department said the American government had no official word on the termination.

Violence was reported in two cities of western Iran. A radio said a group of armed men attacked a television station Tuesday night in the city of Sanandaj, killed a police guard and destroyed a number of cars in the parking lot.

meini's followers have already taken control of key municipal functions, including traffic police.

Arab

In India, Mrs. Gandhi, who was prime minister during the 1971 war with Pakistan, said Tuesday that confirmation of the death sentence on Bhutto "will shock the conscience of civilized society all over the world."

President Carter sent a personal appeal to Gen. Zia to spare the life of former Prime Minister Bhutto.

Bhutto has said he will not appeal for clemency to Gen. Zia, the man who toppled him in a military coup 18 months ago. He has also forbidden his family to do so.

in a number of cities, notably Isfahan.

Hadi said, "officers of the armed forces" had also pledged allegiance to Khumeini and would participate in the uniform in a mass march called by the religious leader for Thursday.

Fahd

Shortly after his arrival, Arafat held a meeting with the crown prince. The meeting was attended by the Fateh representative in Saudi Arabia, Mahmoud Abbas.

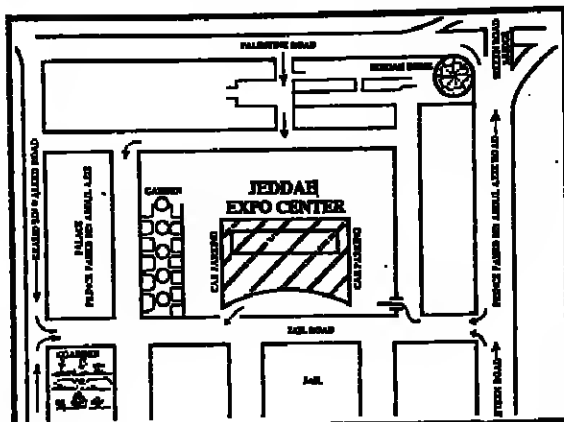
Later Wednesday, Prince Fahd held a second round of talks with the Sudanese President.

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